



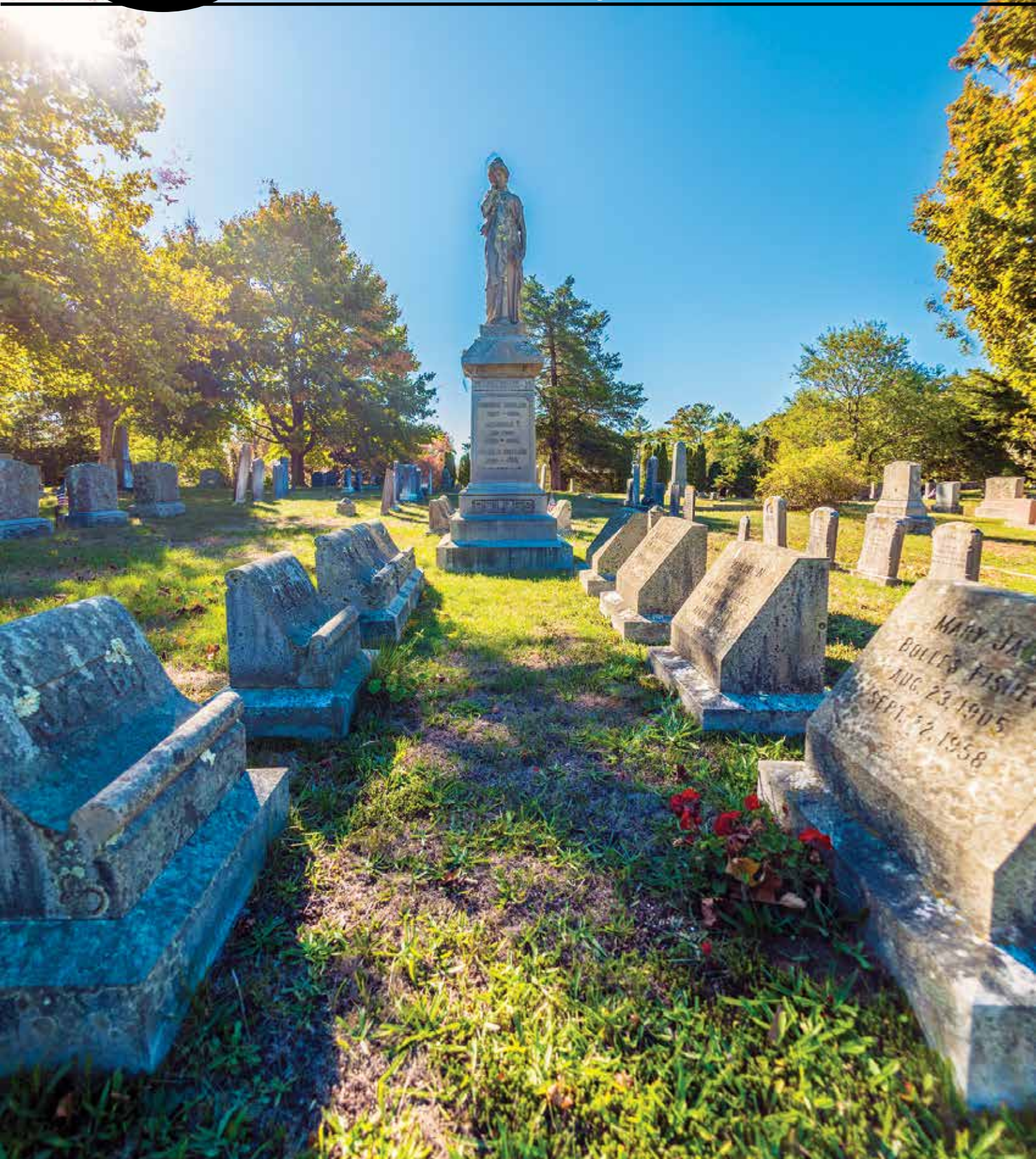
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Gravestone Art and Symbolism in the Tri-Town

By Marilou Newell

The Mattapoisett Museum hosted a virtual presentation by the Gravestone Girls, experts in the field of deciphering not only the carved imagery of early gravestones but also burial practices of the past. And while this is the time of the year when cemeteries play to dark themes in a run-up to the Halloween celebration, cemeteries through history have largely been places to cherish and even to enjoy.

Founding member Brenda Sullivan gave the October 8 presentation with an amazing command of the subject matter that was both entertaining and informative. In a word, brilliant.

Calling the Pyramids of Egypt "giant gravestones," Sullivan briefly talked about early belief systems, most of which included an intact resurrection



requiring burial goods such as food, drink, clothing, and, oh yeah, and possibly a few servants to accompany the deceased as they ascended. As for the Egyptian rulers who were entombed in the Pyramids, they deemed themselves gods so it was only right that, in death, thought to be a transient state of being, they were worthy of heaps of gold, too. If you've ever seen Tut's golden mask,

you'd know of which I speak.

Moving on, the primary focus of Sullivan's presentation centered on burial practices and associated religious beliefs during the Colonial and Victorian eras and modern centuries. She toured Mattapoisett and used photographs from local graves to illustrate various points

***On the Cover:** This elaborate gravestone in Center Cemetery off of Dexter Lane in Rochester represents one point in an evolving history richly represented by various eras in several cemeteries throughout the tri-towns. See Marilou Newell's story on the "Gravestone Girls" recent presentation. Photo by Ryan Feeney*

in her talk, making sure to say as a cautionary note that the viewer might recognize an ancestor's gravestone so, "... please don't be shocked."

Over the course of an hour, Sullivan brought local cemeteries to life, so to speak. She explained that in the 1600s strict religious themes ruled how burials were carried out, including the type of imagery that was carved into gravestones.

"The head and feet of the deceased were arranged in an east-west orientation," Sullivan explained. She said today when we look at old burial grounds, we are not seeing them as they would have been. "Headstone

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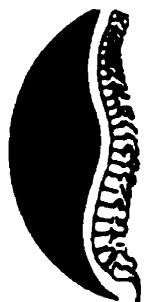
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and footstones have been moved over the years to accommodate maintenance." Inscriptions on stones would have been facing west and the body facing east. "Gabriel would be coming from the east," she said of the early believers, "... so they had to be facing east when they sat up in their graves to fly away with him and go meet their maker."

Speaking to the gravestones from the early 1600s that still bear the image of a skull with wings, Sullivan said that the skull represented the immortal soul and the mortality of humans. "It depicted the idea that we are all mortal," and therefore, "it was the humans' job to behave well while alive." Most people were unable to read, she pointed out, thus the cravings helped to drive home the doctrines taught by religious leaders. "Death was omnipresent."

By the 1700s, the winged-skull motifs were evolving into faces with flesh, but there were also images of the sun representing its setting caused by death, stars as guiding lights to heaven, and crowns for those considered righteous. There were also hourglasses marking the ebbing away of life on earth.

Sullivan said that some of the gravestones from this period also showed a "wagging finger" that spoke to the need of being prepared for the end by doing the rights things while living. On a happier note, she said that the early settlers also believed that the grave was not the end, that death was not permanent, and that, "the grave was God's hiding place while they waited for Gabriel – it was the promise of something more."

During the 1800s there was a revival of Greek and Roman decorative themes, Sullivan shared. "We'd





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had a revolution, people fought to govern themselves, there was a great deal of archeology taking place; neo-classical themes seeped into everything including 19th-century stones." Urns and weeping willow trees replaced darker themes. These updated symbols became common gravestone images, and there was the rise of the garden cemetery where families could meet neighbors, have picnics, and remember their dearly departed.

"People were moving into the cities from rural areas, they were working in factories, they were becoming the nouveau riche," Sullivan said. These economic and societal shifts were part of the reason that cemeteries became gardens, not just simple burial grounds but "sleeping places." These were the first green spaces Sullivan stated complete with flowering bushes and ponds. "When the Mt. Auburn Cemetery opened people flooded to it, it was a sensation," she said.

About this same time, family plots became popular with borders that were like foundations to rooms. These were social spaces. Softer symbols started to appear such as floral cravings. Marble was introduced

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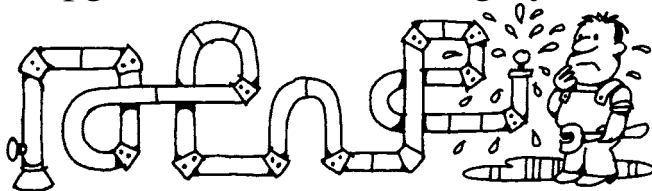
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for gravestones newly available with the advent of transportation systems. Marble, however, would prove a less-than-ideal material due to its porous structure. Today marble gravestones are stained black. "Use your mind's eye as to how they would have looked when first placed at a grave," Sullivan advised. Other favorite symbols of the Victorian era were shaking hands. "They are saying hello and goodbye ..." anchors, birds and, for children, lambs.

With money came the hill vaults and tombs. Sullivan said that the famous stained-glass maker Tiffany made windows for tombs, tombs that might even contain furniture for the visitors to use. But the Victorian period would also fade in time.

"The modern period is different from other periods," Sullivan began. She said there was a backlash against all things overdone. "We wanted to simplify." Also during this time, the Arts and Crafts movement with its clean lines and uncluttered appearance came into vogue. But also changing was the way cemeteries were designed. Sullivan said that lawn cutting required straight rows of a given width and that people no longer went to gravesites to picnic and visit the deceased.

Granite became the preferred material for gravestones. But today's stones also provide a deeper look into the life of the deceased. Sullivan said that early gravestone gave little detail except for a person's name, age and whether or not they were a wife, husband,

or child. Today the gravestone tells so much more. Photography can now be etched into the stone's surface and many stones also speak to the deceased interests such as golf, fishing, or dancing.

Before Sullivan closed out her comments, she pointed out that in local cemeteries there are rather-unique gravestones made from zinc. These "stones" were called "white bronze" but were, in fact, made of zinc. They were a less expensive headstone option between 1870 and the advent of World War I. Only one manufacturer in the entire country offered these cemetery markers that could be ordered from catalogs. The Monumental Bronze Company was located in Connecticut and did a thriving business until the US economy shifted to manufacturing military supplies for WWI. The company's history also noted that the color of the metal, a cool blue-gray tone, was thought to be cold.

Today there are examples of the zinc cemetery monuments in both Marion and Mattapoisett. They are very noticeable in older cemeteries because they are antimicrobial; lichen and moss will not grow on their surfaces. They gleam much as they did when first installed.

Speaking of the aging and appearance of gravestones, Sullivan cautioned not to clean gravestone yourself. But if you do try, you should use soft brushes and lots of clean water. She also said that the organization Friends of the Middleborough Cemeteries understands the cleaning process and can be very helpful to those wishing to learn more.

Sullivan said that some cities and towns have returned to using cemeteries as places for people to gather. She noted that yoga classes, beekeeping, dog parks, and road races raise money, in some cases monies that are used to maintain the cemetery. If you missed the Gravestone Girls presentation, you can watch it on YouTube (search for Mattapoisett Museum Gravestone Girls).

A quick count of the number of cemeteries in the Tri-Town area came out to 17, but I am sure there are others hidden deep in pine forests or along the edge of sub-divisions that I missed. Why not take a cemetery tour

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Drive-Thru Flu-Shots Draw over 150 Residents

By Mick Colageo

Strong winds ruled out the usage of tents, but the Town of Marion was determined to get through its first drive-through flu-shot clinic in anticipation of the day there might be an opportunity to administer a COVID-19 vaccine.

The flu clinic, held for residents on October 8 at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center, was the first event organized for the town by Lori Desmarais as its new public health nurse in concert with the town's Board of Health and Police Department.

"Lori and Lieutenant (Richard) Nighelli have gone above and beyond," said Town Administrator Jay McGrail of their efforts organizing the event. "At one point we were backed up all the way out to the screening station. We never had a backup on Route 6. At the end of the day, we will have had over 150 (receiving vaccinations). ... Lori's been here just shy of a month and she pulled all this off."

Preparation was key and to that end, a dry run was conducted a week prior for town employees. This event, it is hoped, will eventually be considered preparation for the potential distribution of a coronavirus vaccine. That event, if it occurred in the middle of the winter, would include a two-lane, drive-through tent in which the vaccine would be administered.

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At the first station on the driveway to the left of the building, pre-registrants were checked off of a list, their temperatures taken and their paperwork verified," said McGrail. A couple of applicants were sent away.

At the second station on the opposite side of the building, paperwork was given a more thorough check and copies were taken of insurance cards. It was also determined by staff which dosage was appropriate and a corresponding sticker affixed to their paperwork.

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If someone was receiving a flu shot for the first time, they pulled over to a special area where they could remain under the observation of an emergency medical technician (EMT) for the prescribed 15 minutes to ensure immediate attention in the event of any adverse reaction to the vaccine. Ages 2 and older were eligible to receive a vaccine, and the higher dose was made available to ages 65 and older.



"Taking steps to protect against other respiratory illnesses is especially important as we continue to fight the COVID-19 virus across the region," said Desmarais in a press release advertising the event to the community.

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Administrator Jay McGrail, and Marion Board of Health Chairperson Dr. Edward Hoffer reported positive cases of COVID-19 at Sippican School in Marion on October 12 and 13.

Tuesday's press release stated that it is believed that the two cases are unrelated. On both days, it was announced in press releases that the Marion Board of Health has been conducting contact tracing and thus far has determined that the person who tested positive has no close contacts that would directly impact the ORR School District.

All district schools, including Sippican, were to remain in session on Wednesday, October 14, in their regular, hybrid schedules at the recommendation of the Marion Board of Health.

"At this time, we believe that this second individual had no contact with the previously detected case, and there appears to be no connection or reason to believe they are connected," Hoffer stated in a press release issued by the ORR School District and the Town of Marion. "Mass DPH/DESE guidelines state that if at least a 6-foot distance has been maintained at all times, then there has been no 'close contact,' and this was true for the second person identified. At this point, we see no reason to change the hybrid model being used at Sippican School, but will obviously be closely monitoring the situation."

The single cases announced on Monday night and Tuesday afternoon, were the ORR District's first positive cases since schools reopened on September 16 with a hybrid learning model dividing the student bodies into cohorts with two days per week in class.

On Monday, Nelson was quoted in a press release to state the following: "With this being our first positive COVID-19 case in the district since the beginning of the new school year, we wanted to make everyone aware of the situation and assure families that we are following all local and state health protocols. The health, safety, and well-being of all of our students, faculty, and staff is our top priority, and we will continue to update families as we have new situations that arise as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic."

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As of Monday, the individual at Sippican School who tested positive was in self-isolation in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention protocol. The unidentified person has not been in school since October 7. The same was announced on Tuesday regarding the second positive case, that person having not been in school since October 8.

Under state and federal health privacy laws, no further information on the people testing positive was made available.

ORR announced on Monday night that, out of an abundance of caution, the district conducted a deep and thorough sanitization and disinfection of Sippican School on Monday. All district schools are cleaned daily after school.

Nelson and Marion officials urge all families and residents to sustain vigilance where it concerns COVID-19 protocols including social distancing, facemasks when in public, and practicing proper hygiene.

Deep cleaning of all schools will continue being conducted on a nightly basis. While the buildings are occupied, high-touch surfaces are and will continue to be cleaned frequently and as needed throughout the school day. Sanitizing wipes remain available in each classroom to wipe down desks when necessary.

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Herring Counts Better, but Not Good Enough

By Mick Colageo

It is believed that the mingling of river herring with ocean herring in the Atlantic resulted in an unintended commercial catch that, in large part, caused the massive drop in the amount of the small fish in the Mattapoisett River early in the 21st century.

Where it concerns herring, the Tri-Town has never been the same.

"We pretty much feel it was the offshore trawlers through a huge net. The river herring mingle with the ocean herring that they were trawling for. A lot of them, they don't want them and they just dump them overboard. Then the other things are what Mother Nature throws at us," said Art Benner, the president of Alewives Anonymous, Inc. who on October 2, sent his 2020 herring

report to the Tri-Town and state officials. "We've had a few dry years and this is another dry year. Snipatuit (Pond), there hasn't been a full pond at any time."

Due to an ultra-dry 2020, parts of the Mattapoisett River look like a gravel road with a puddle here and there.

When electronic herring counts began in 1989, the annual count at the outlet of the Snipatuit Pond to the Mattapoisett River was 40,000. That number grew exponentially over the last decade of the 20th century, peaking at 130,000 in the year 2000. The sudden and spectacular drop down to crisis levels (i.e. 5,000 in 2004) led to a state-mandated ban on fishing herring in 2006.

As is his spring custom, Benner, with help from Rochester Herring Inspector (and Alewives Anonymous, Inc. Vice President) David Watling, used electronic fish counters on the Mattapoisett River at Snipatuit Pond and the Sippican River at Leonard's Pond to establish 2020 counts.

The 2020 herring count in Mattapoisett River was 16,049, a decrease from 18,156 in 2019. Last year's count marked the first increase since 2014 when the herring count recovered from a 2004 low of 5,000 to 55,429. Benner reported that the counting equipment functioned without errors last spring, making for ideal counting conditions.

Benner said low water in Leonard's Pond posed a counting problem toward the end of the season. A counter was not installed last year on the Sippican River at Leonard's Pond; this year's Sippican River count was 813, a number that Benner suspects represents pond fish moving up and down the ladder through the counter multiple times.

The electronic counter cannot distinguish one fish from another. Benner says sometimes a wooden stick is enough to vibrate the three metal rings on the 8 inch in diameter fiberglass tube and trip the counter. "They can tell the order ... reading from the rings whether it's going up or down," Benner said. "You might count one fish several times; that's what those odd counts can represent sometimes."

Pickarel, bass, and sunfish will go down the ladder into the river and come back, further skewing the count. Snipatuit Pond is populated with zooplankton and small fish.

Benner also reported a 574 herring count for 2020 at Hathaway Pond Dam, according to a counter run by Buzzards Bay Coalition.

Alewives Anonymous, Inc. aka "The Herring Helpers" came along in the mid-1980s, but in spirit at least was around a long time before that, according to Benner. "Just as a group of interested people concerned about the herring population and what they might do to improve it and extend it and that sort of thing," is how he described his "more or less" springtime operation.

The people spend a fair amount of time removing trees and brush so the herring get a passage up from Snipatuit Pond to spawn. There is also a small run of

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herring on the Sippican River to Leonard's Pond; the larger run is on the Mattapoisett.

"(The count) hasn't been improved that much," said Benner. "They're food for a lot of predatory fish and there's a lot of big fish in there. If we don't get them out (to the ocean to mature), we're not going to get them back (to lay eggs)."

It takes experience and skill to adjust the dikes connecting the ponds to the rivers and setting optimum water levels for the seasonal transfer of herring. A major concern with a dry summer is that, while the adults spawn and leave the pond by May, their offspring are not ready to leave until July. Many never make it out of the pond.

"I hope to let as much water out of Snipatuit Pond as I could from the middle of June ... they can stay in Snipatuit a long time, but when the bogs are flooded they can get sucked up into the bogs," said Watling. "If nature was fine (this would happen in) dribs and drabs ... so (I try to) get them out as early as possible. If the little ones are in Snipatuit now and we don't get a substantial rain ... there's a chance they'll get stranded on a cranberry bog."

"I think we're on the right track. I don't think the

cranberry industry has changed that much in the last 10 to 15 years – they're more environmentally conscious."

A herring harvest isn't likely until there are 50,000 strong in Snipatuit Pond. "Mattapoisett was one of the better herring-population rivers in the state, but we've

certainly slipped way back," said Benner, comparing his counts to the nearly million spawned in the Nemasket River through Middleborough and Lakeville.

Recreational fishing has posed no threat to the tri-towns, according to Benner. "I think people are really good about the herring. It's not like going out for trout. Back in colonial days, it was a food source, smoke them and fry them," he said.

Benner says the days of catch herring at the herring-fishing station at River Road and Route 6 and selling their carcasses to lobstermen as bait, "that's been over for quite a while."

The moratorium against taking or possession of herring from many Massachusetts rivers including both the Mattapoisett and Sippican remains

in effect. Since the 2014 recovery from 6,000 to 55,000, there have been declined counts, and Benner said improvements in counts must continue in order to sustain a fishery plan and justify an opening. In order to resume






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fishing, a sustainable harvest plan would have to be achieved, filed with and approved by the state Division of Marine Fisheries.

While there is flow in Rochester, water levels are lower than Watling has ever seen, and his father was the town's herring inspector before he was. Given the conditions, reopening the fishing of herring seems a long way off.

"That's the goal of Alewives Anonymous, but it's my opinion and I told the state ... they've asked the commercial fishermen to stay offshore during the spring migration," said Watling.

Offshore to most people means beyond Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, outside the 6-mile limit. But the depth of the water also factors.

In Mattapoisett along Route 6, some 16,000 fish spread out over a period from mid-March to mid-May. "You've got to be there at the right time to see a bunch of them," said Benner. "Clearing brush, we didn't see any of them. Memorial Day Boat Race organizers help out on this.

"We're in it for a long run, I hope. You don't need many adults to get a million eggs."

Three Towns, Three Approaches to Emergency Preparedness

By Mick Colageo

The COVID-19 pandemic presents complications to an aging core of community volunteers in Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester, and each of the Tri-Town communities has a distinct model of its own in mind to maximize success in times of crisis.

Mattapoisett is affiliated with Middleborough-area Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), a national collaboration of medical and non-medical volunteers who are organized locally.

"In Mattapoisett at least, the system we have in place is our MRC volunteers know they would be contacted if needed. If our existing resources were exhausted, we maintain a database," explained Amanda Stone, the part-time Mattapoisett health nurse.

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transitioned for ease of management to the statewide Mass Responds management system, but Mattapoisett is not a member per se. "In Mattapoisett, we decided that's run by the state, but we would keep our MRC locally. The bottom line is that ... we all work together ultimately," said Stone.

People join Mattapoisett's MRC by completing application forms including whatever licenses and skills that they may have, including non-medical volunteers like computer skills that could be useful. "We certainly don't turn anybody away," said Stone.

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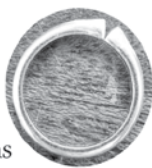
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The MRC conducts drills and walk-throughs. Old Rochester Regional High School is the state-designated emergency dispensing site for Mattapoisett's MRC so plans are already in place should an emergency occur. "You may need two EDS's up and running, you just don't know. It's a live program in Mattapoisett," said Stone. "We have a nice balance in Mattapoisett in medical versus non-medical volunteers and a variety of ages.

"In many communities, CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and MRC work together if they need to. The goal for both organizations is to dispense emergency-response capabilities. We just have a very active MRC in Mattapoisett."

Stone is retiring from 16 years as the public health nurse at the end of February, but added eight months on a part-time basis. Emily Field is the new public-health nurse in Mattapoisett. "We're sharing the workload," said Stone.

Stone saw the community through the H1N1 flu in 2009 and is now book-ending her tenure with COVID-19. "Every community is different," she said, noting that Massachusetts is the only state in the union in which health is part of town government. "Massachusetts has 351 boards of health."

But even in the Tri-Town, there are distinct approaches meant to fit the profile of the individual community and address the needs of the residents. Marion is transitioning from what it considers an unsuccessful MRC affiliation to a CERT affiliation.

"One of the primary roles for the MRC was the staffing and management of emergency shelters. The number of volunteers has declined in the last few years. There is a concern that the name 'Medical Reserve Corp' may be attributing to the reluctance of people to volunteer for the group if they don't have some type of medical background," stated Marion Chief of Police John B. Garcia in an email to *The Wanderer*. "A Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has the potential to have a broader role in community emergency response. The main focus will still be on staffing and management of the shelters, but once the team is fully established, we may be



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able to expand the role and training to other areas such as search and rescue. We are hoping that we will have most of the current MRC volunteers transition to the CERT so that we don't lose the expertise and experience they have accumulated over the years."

Dr. John Howard, who serves on the Marion Board of Health and is an active physician, traces the roots of CERT and MRC to the September 11, 2001 attacks on the US. "Gradually, the funding has kind of drifted down so it's pretty much voluntary now," he said.

The structure of each organization is regionally based now, so the Marion unit will be part of the Lakeville-area CERT chapter, and Mattapoisett's team is affiliated with the Middleborough MRC.

Howard remembers as many as 10 volunteers who participated in events like flu clinics, "but they never really got into an active training program or been mobilized. A lot of folks are older, retired, and older."

Some, said Howard, had some medical training. He wonders now if people with military experience or possibly Tabor Academy faculty could work with students. He would like to see students offered opportunities to connect to their community in a meaningful way. Through monthly training sessions, he suggests men and women alike can learn chain of command, the proper use of radios, and other aspects of emergency management.

"CERT is clearly where we're headed now and

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because of the relatively weak response to the MRC ... people heard MRC and they heard 'medical' and they got nervous," he said. "I'm not a nurse, I'm not an EMT ... I probably can't help out very much there. It's a perception thing."

Garcia became a part-time police officer in 1983 at age 20. On January 3, 2021, he will hand over his title to Lieutenant Richard Nighelli and, along with it, the lead role in Marion's emergency response. Before he does, he is looking to build some momentum for a CERT program.

"We are hoping that the 'rebranding' will appeal to a wider range of people. It will be a challenge to draw in new volunteers. Reports indicate that volunteerism across the nation is down," Garcia stated in the email.

In an independent approach that neither asks for, nor genuflects to, the trend toward regionalization of assistance and services, Rochester Board of Selectmen Chairman Paul Ciaburri oversees a town-centered, town-supplied emergency response plan – for the town by the town. It's as old-school as can be, but the results speak for themselves.

"We've got a list of people, some young, some older, plus everybody on the Fire Department helps out. We've been very fortunate because our shelter is the Senior Center, which has worked out very well so far. We take it one storm at a time, we do the best we can. Sometimes we get a lot of volunteers, sometimes we get just enough," said Ciaburri. "I've always looked at it as my first job is to take care of the people in Rochester. We'd take people from Marion and Mattapoisett if need be. The regional shelter stuff, it's never worked very well."

Pragmatism rules in Rochester, where affiliation is counterproductive. Ciaburri said he didn't get Rochester involved in CERT because of the many requirements, including potential deployment of volunteers to other locations.

"We've done some shelter training when Mass Emergency Management has some classes so they have some ideas and rules. I did not want to put them in some position where they were going to be taken to the Plymouth shelter or the Mattapoisett shelter. I go to some of those meetings ... but we're not affiliated," he said.

Ciaburri said that on one occasion, Wareham closed its shelter and Rochester kept the person to the end of the week, then told its neighbor it's their responsibility. "At that point, you have to put them in a hotel or motel ... it can be a budget buster. If we didn't have the people we have, it would be very expensive," he said.

Between comfortable beds against the height of cots in a school building or the simplest things like a nice meal or snack and a place to charge a cell phone when the power is out at home, Ciaburri says the Senior Center on Dexter Lane has been an excellent resource for the town. And it avoids the expenses that come with police detail and janitorial and cafeteria staff.

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time we had a shelter, everything went well," he said. Rochester served 290 meals over five days. "The one lucky thing we have here is people genuinely don't like to leave their house unless it's really bad, and that's kind of worked in our favor."

Tree damage, downed wires, those things will send residents to the Senior Center, but it's rare they need to stay over.


At 67, Ciaburri figures it's time the town started figuring out how to replace or evolve the role, which for him has been a volunteer position since he began as Rochester's emergency manager in 1980. "I've enjoyed doing it. I always got the support from the Police, Fire, Board of Selectmen, office staff. I'll be here a few more



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Wild Turkeys Find Home in Suburbia

By George B. Emmons

The wild turkey has made a remarkable revival in numbers from near extinction in Massachusetts when the last one was killed in the year 1840 until today; the state population is approximately 25,000.

Frequent attempts at stocking over the years failed because pen-raised hens did not have wildlife survival skills to teach their poult, who died off wherever they transplanted. The effort turned a corner in 1980 when flocks were moved from Pennsylvania to Berkshire

County, and they expanded so rapidly that a limited fall and spring hunting season was allowed and, 40 years later, is still in effect to this very day.

Over the next quarter-century since 1980, state trap and releases of wild stock moved the population across the state with the final stocking on Cape Cod. According to many officials, they are now almost everywhere except the island of Nantucket. The Indian



name for Nantucket means far-off place, which is obviously why they are still not there.

Today in many of our suburban wooded areas they have become a problem



with some residents, thus biologists wonder if they were too successful for the turkeys' own good. Turkeys are social creatures with a pecking order in each flock. The trouble usually begins with younger males coming of age by contending and pushing for position around them. In suburbia, they lose their fear of people, and are

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known to chase away children waiting on a street corner for a school bus. Sometimes they become obnoxious and ornery around wooded back yards, and managing them by involving animal control officers has become a sticky situation. It is still legal to feed wild turkeys, but authorities do not recommend it because it attracts competition near your house.

Strangely enough, it is the suburbs that have attracted large numbers of turkeys instead of moving into vast remote forests, as might be expected. Agricultural habitat clearings developed by human beings are more to their liking, which seems to be a contradiction of wildlife adaptation in modern times.

Turkeys were very abundant here when the pilgrims were shown in paintings bringing them home from the hunt for their first Thanksgiving, but their numbers declined every year that forests were cleared for agriculture. Extensive hunting also took a toll for almost the following century. When the continental congress of a new nation voted to name the turkey its national bird as recommended by Benjamin Franklin, it was not approved because the turkey loses its head at the first sign of danger and flies scatter-brain in all directions. Instead, the bald eagle was adopted, even though it had a flawed character of regularly stealing prey from ospreys.

The turkey's final recovery is unique in a country that endangered and decimated the passenger pigeon to extinction, nearly wiping out endless herds of buffalo,

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as well as two species of whales, the western sockeye salmon, and the eastern Atlantic salmon.

The wild turkey may have risen out of the ashes of stocking failures like a phoenix, but its saving grace may well have been the similarity to its domestic cousin; both have an American image as leading role in Thanksgiving's historical tradition. It now appears to be right at home at the edge of harvested cornfields, or nearby pumpkin patches, and often close to barnyard habitat.

They would fit in today with other of Mother Nature's cornucopia of natural blessings for the feast that was celebrated to express thanks for a bountiful harvest. The present wild turkey may still rank with the Indian three sisters of squash, corn, and beans, almost 400 years later.

Dear Post Office, I Love You!

This Mattapoisett Life

By Marilou Newell

There has never been a time in my life when the US Postal Service did not matter. Some of my earliest memories of growing up in Onset include going to the post office for my mother. Our dependence on the services provided by the USPS was high with nearly daily interaction with the postal clerks who seemed always to be beavering away.

We did not have home delivery service in Onset.

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Everyone walked to the post office. It was a hub of community activity and a place where people would stop and chat each other up for a bit. It was the heartbeat of that tiny village.

Carrying the mail home each day was one of my chores. Ma would sort through the mass of advertising circulars and utility bills, handing me anything she thought could be relegated to my play-office in the corner of my bedroom.

The post office kept us connected to the bigger world outside the confines of our little house and our little village. Magazine subscriptions and the arrival of the seasonal mail-order catalogs were events. Whether it was delivery of my summer Weekly Reader or the Christmas edition of the Sears and Roebuck catalog, the post office provided the conductivity, albeit manual, that we needed.

Through the years, staying in touch with people via the written word was a high priority for yours truly. When I say written word, I don't mean keystrokes. I'm talking about good old fashion pen in hand. I was thinking the other day about all the people I once wrote letters to, maybe as many as seven at one point in time. A book of postage stamps was like an internet connection.

When my high school friends began migrating west to California in the '70s, writing and receiving letters became the conduit by which our relationships were maintained. Coming home from the post office with a thick envelope knowing it contained the latest Gold

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Coast adventures, detailed in longhand, of friends living a bohemian life-style thousands of miles away. It was exciting. Writing a response was expected, otherwise, I'd receive, "Why haven't you written!" Writing and receiving letters was simply part of living and made possible by the USPS.

Later on when I began a decades-long quest to "find myself" my journeys took me to Italy. The postal service kept me connected to family and friends. I attempted to explain myself, be understood, be accepted, and included all by way of letters entrusted to an operation we really couldn't see or understand.

As I sat in that small apartment in Vicenza looking out from my fourth-floor perch across the fields

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that surrounded the country farm villa far below at the end of the lane, I'd describe what I was seeing in living color and in long rambling sentences to my cousins and my mother so far away. The act of writing a letter and posting it made me feel like I was talking to my family. I just had to wait two weeks to hear their voices in return. I relied on the postal service; in this case, the A.P.O. afforded the US military service that kept the mail moving across the Atlantic. Those letters swept away the loneliness.

By the late '80s, I'd returned east after a stint on the west coast near my hometown friends. They stayed there, not wanting anything or anyone back east. My return spoke volumes about missing home. Once again



Animal Advice

Jay Gould, DVM

I'm confused about rabies vaccines for my dog and cat. I hear about 1,2 and 3 year vaccines. Whats the deal?

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The same law applies to cats but some people prefer 1 year rabies shot in cats as a 3 year vaccines contain a substance that can cause cancer at the vaccination site in a very small percentage of cats. Again, talk to your vet about your preferences.

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it was letters that tied me to Onset, primarily my mother but also several cousins who seemed to enjoy reading my missives.

But I wonder today, usually when the internet goes bye-bye, as it has just now while I write this, what would we have done without the US Postal Service? Consider all the services it's offered over the years far beyond mail distribution. People without a bank account can buy money orders. Applications for a variety of things such as passports can be obtained from the post office. I don't know if this applies any longer, but the post office used to offer notary services.

When I think about the mail it is not so much the actual stuff that now arrives daily, but instead, a sentimental journey through relationships, most of which have come and gone, that I once enjoyed, secrets shared, love expressed, gifts sent, and received.

The USPS was so reliable I once baked cranberry-nut breads during Christmas time and mailed them from Onset to Santa Monica so my girlfriend could have a taste of home during the holidays. And those cards in the mail received into my homesick hands so often when I lived thousands of miles from family, Christmas, Easter, birthday, or simply "thinking of you." Small emotional life rafts that buoyed my spirit for days knowing that someone somewhere was thinking of me.

Today receiving hard copies of my Medicare statements ranks high on the list of must-haves. After all it is my responsibility to make sure the program is only paying for services rendered, and maintaining those documents for two years is necessary. But, let's face it, people of a certain age depend on hard copy versus scrolling through electronic lists. Yes, I still prefer real books, too.

Sure, I use the usual suspects of delivery services available at a keystroke in our digital satellite-controlled world. But much like the library, the brick and mortar types, the post office stands out as a bastion of what good government can accomplish. I know, I know the USPS if fraught with money troubles, mismanagement, etc., etc. That is troubling. But the principle of a government helping its citizens, connecting people, providing business

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opportunities, and keeping the love light burning between sweethearts is precious to me.

While most of the family I wrote to has passed away, as grandchildren have grown into women of purpose using quick texts to convey messages complete with emojis (give me strength), and my penmanship now rarely pressed into service deteriorates, I hold steadfast to the importance of the USPS. For surely if it were dismantled, a private letter-carrying service would fill the void, and costs would be what the market would bear, not what the market should bear.

I "heart" the USPS. May it last at least as long as I do, for to lose it now would be like losing another loved one.

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The Elizabeth Taber Statue: An Interview with Sculpture Erik Durant

By Marilou Newell

Erik Durant has been capturing the human form, facial expressions, and themes that run the gamut from mythology to real-life situations for many years. In his studio works, he can be free to explore subject matter as he pleases. When it comes to commissioned pieces the pressure is on to get it right, but finding out what right is can be elusive.

When the Celebrate Elizabeth Taber Committee headed up by Judith Rosbe selected Durant to create the statue that will be celebrated and unveiled at 11:00 am Saturday, October 17, in Bicentennial Park across Spring Street from the Marion Town House, he was given a packet of research materials that the group had collected and pictures that were as he described "an amalgamation" of images. "There was little to go on outside what she had done," he confessed in a recent interview with *The Wanderer*.

Taber's history was researched for the New Bedford Whaling Museum's "Lighting the Way: Historic Women of the Southcoast" program. In that published biography, we are told that Taber was born in Marion in 1791 and died in Marion in 1888. She was very religious and left Marion for New Bedford when she married Stephen Pitcher, settling into domesticity.

Yet Taber would know sorrow and loneliness

from the loss of all three of her children before they reached the age of 6 and her husband who died shortly after the Civil War. She withdrew from society living a sober, quiet life in her County Street home for many years. But she certainly spent considerable time studying financial matters.

It is due to her wise investments in railroads and mills that she was able to amass a great fortune, giving a lion's share to her beloved Town of Marion. She funded not only the building of her preferred Christian faith, the First Congregational Church, but also the library that bears her name, and the Music Hall. Taber also funded the Marion Natural History Museum and founded Tabor Academy. All this earned her the nickname of Marion's Fairy Godmother. To clarify, Tabor (note "o" not "e") Academy is named after Mount Tabor in Palestine, not after its benefactor.

Taber brought education, culture, art, and music to a community that continues to benefit from all her gifts.

How to capture in a face, in the position of a seated human body that bears age and has experienced the highs and lows of life, how to distill a fleeting gesture, how to bring together all that Taber embodied – that was Durant's challenge.

Durant's public works, with the exception of the squid which rises gaily above the gallery space at the NBWM, are full of emotion. "The committee wanted her to be warm," he confided, saying that he sought to capture an expression that one might have when alone, sitting on a bench, lost in private thoughts. "Maybe in this sculpture she is thinking about what she has done or what she wants to do next." He imagined her surveying all she has done in a casual pose, in a candid moment when no one is looking.

The artist may have struggled a bit seeking, teasing out the person behind the bits and pieces he was able to cobble together of the real person. "How much can you trust the photography?" was a question Durant grappled with during the early sketches and clay models. "She looks so stern in the image." He knew there was more there than was meeting his eye.

"There was a narrative, what I was looking at

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was just the cover of the book," he said. "People have a concept of a face, even their own, but it might not be the same as what someone else will see."

Over the course of about two years, all the elements Durant sought to bring together glacially moved into position.

Durant knew from local accounts that Taber was seen around town smoking a pipe. Adding that detail provoked a bit of discussion, but in the end, the pipe helped to humanize Taber, pull her out of the historical context into humanity. "When you are given a few sentences about a person you grab onto it; she was a person, she was maybe the type of woman she wanted to be ... that can resonate with us today." He said that there is a misperception that Victorian-age people were all prim and proper. "That pipe made her a regular person."

Durant's Taber is seated in a natural posture, a comfortable position, possibly defying polite edicts of how a woman was to sit when in public once again bringing the idea of a real person to the fore. The statue is life-size of a woman of about 5-foot-4-in height, clothed in period dress but not fussy or formal attire. Durant researched clothing at the NBWM to get a sense of what everyday wear in the 19th century might have looked like. "When you sit down beside her, you'll be able to look her in the eye," he said with a smile in his voice.

According to Tinker Saltonstall, the Celebrate Elizabeth Taber Committee will turn over the statue to the Town of Marion at Saturday's ceremony. Sippican Historical Society coordinated the fundraising effort and, according to Rosbe, the Elizabeth Taber Statue Committee chairperson, donated \$50,000 to the effort. Tabor Academy donated \$10,000, and private donors contributed to a total topping \$175,000.

Between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm, Spring Street will be closed to traffic between Cottage and Main streets. Saturday's event will be held rain or shine.

Restaurant Facing Non-Compliance Hearing

Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen

By Marilou Newell

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COVID-19 cases being reported at both the state and local level, the Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen believes it is their responsibility to protect the residents of the community. To that end, responding to complaints that a local eatery was not complying with state guidelines, a public hearing was opened on October 13 for Nick's Homemade Pizza, owned by George and Daphne Vrakes.

A letter sent to the business owner(s) via certified mail was not responded to by the hearing date. That led to a rather long discussion on whether or not the board could or should hold the meeting in the absence of the business owners or continue to a later date.

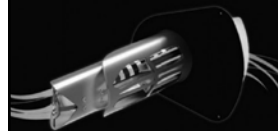
But first, read into the meeting minutes was the litany of complaints the Board of Health had received,



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complaints that centered around masks not being worn by employees of Nick's Homemade Pizza. Between May 26 and September 30, there were 13 calls to Town Hall stating that masks were not being properly worn at the pizza restaurant by the employees. On October 1, Mattapoissett Health Agent Kayla Davis visited the establishment and was told by the owner, "I will not follow fake mask rules." Davis had been sworn in by attorney Brian Riley of KP Law, the town's counsel, earlier in the hearing for the purposes of providing her testimony.

Selectman Paul Silva said that anonymous complaints were followed-up on but that those could not be used to build a case against the business. "We need people to identify themselves," he said. When the number of complaints where customers had been willing to identify themselves reached critical mass, the board sought to take action.

After a considerable discussion that included Silva stating, "My concern is the timing, there have been five new cases in eight days ... if this goes on, we could be hurting someone." He pushed to have the board reopen the hearing at the earliest possible date and time. It was determined that it would be in the best interest of the town to have a hand-delivered hearing notice brought to the business by a police officer or a constable to ensure that the Vrakes were positively notified.

The hearing will reopen on Friday, October 16, at 5:00 pm via the remote platform. The Vrakes were to receive the notification on October 14, within the 48-hour notification requirement. Weighing in the balance are both the common victualer and alcohol licenses that the Vrakes currently hold.

In other business, Dale Leavitt of Blue Stream Shellfish reported that during the past year, he has been mired in red tape at both the state and local levels when it was uncovered that all the permits from the previous business owner had expired. The situation has taken the

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entire year to untangle, but Leavitt said he was confident things would be cleared up in the coming days. The board decided to rollover the \$2,000 fee Leavitt paid last year that granted him 10 acres in Nasketucket Bay. They also agreed that his agreement with the town would be “re-set,” giving him all the provisions previously granted. Leavitt noted deep appreciation to Conservation Agent Liz Leidhold for assisting him with documents.

John Cornish of the Matt-Sail program said that the summer season had been a good one with some 89 youngsters participating in the summertime program. There ensued a decision of finding a permanent location for the 24 boats used in the program. For several seasons they have wintered over at the former Holy Ghost grounds now owned by the town. Selectman John DeCosta voiced his concern that the boat storage might eventually interfere with the property being used for other activities. In the end, it was decided that Town Administrator Mike Lorenzo would work with the Board of Health to secure a location at the town landfill.

Turning to the matter of whether or not the town should discourage the October 31 ritual of door-to-door trick-or-treating, the selectmen heard from both the Mattapoisett Police Department and the Mattapoisett Lions Club about alternative activities that would offer a bit of festive fun for children and their families.

Silva said, “These are difficult times. Our goal is to keep the residents of Mattapoisett as safe as possible,” so discouraging door-to-door trick-or-treating was in everyone’s best interest.

Kimberly Ray of the Lions Club discussed a drive-through event on October 24. She said that plans include passing out pumpkins and goodie bags to children while they pass by Lion Club members stationed along a roadway loop. Police Chief Mary Lyons said that the department wanted to do a similar activity on Halloween Day.

Where to hold such events safely without causing traffic snarls and endangering pedestrians was discussed. In the end, it was decided that Old Hammondtown School offers the best central location and can be safely accessed by participants. Lorenzo said he would reach out to the school department and let them know about the events.

In his report to the board, Lorenzo said the Police Department was close to finalizing updated Emergency Management Plans and hoped to have them ready for the board’s review by next week. He said that work on reorganizing the shellfish-enforcement duties with the Harbormaster’s department was underway and that engineering for the solar array planned for the town’s landfill was also well underway.

On the topic of possible new revenue sources, Lorenzo said he was reviewing such areas as a local commercial-rental excise tax of 6 percent, short-term rental tax of 3 percent, and a new cell tower on town property, and would embark on a feasibility study for the

latter of these. Lorenzo also reported that he was working on a possible new bylaw aimed at establishing local littering fines.

Board of Selectman secretary Melody Pacheco announced that scallop fishing will open for the inner harbor for residents on Thursday, October 15, and for commercial entities on Sunday, November 1.

The Vrakes’ public hearing will be held on Friday, October 16, at 5:00 pm and regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen will be held on Tuesday, October 27, at 6:30 pm.

Old Middleboro Road Solar Shut Down Pending New Application

Rochester Planning Board

By Matthew Donato

The Rochester Planning Board met on October 13 to address certain conflicts that have been raised surrounding work being done on the Old Middleboro Road Solar Project. On a visit to the site, Town Planner Steven Starrett discovered that the construction group tasked with completing the project has been following a set of plans that never received approval from the Rochester Planning Board.

Although the board granted approval to the proposed solar project, construction on the site has been deviating from the rules and regulations that were established during the board’s public hearing on the proposal. Starrett explained that the changes to the plans were made to adhere to specific regulations that were put in place by the Rochester Conservation Commission. Since the applicants never brought the Conservation Commission’s requirements before the Planning Board, the project is now essentially being constructed without the town’s approval.

Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson expressed his own hesitation toward the development and revealed his concern that the secluded location of the construction area may make it difficult to monitor what is happening in the area. In addition, the Planning Board has received reports that tree clearing in the area has already taken place without any approval from the town.

Johnson also received notice that bonds required for the project to go forward were never provided to the town. Starrett told the board that it is likely that the project managers decided to move forward with the work in order to complete an access road to the site before their October 15 deadline. With a lack of the required bonds and a clear conflict between the plans being used and the plans approved by the board, Johnson made it clear that the work being done is not permitted.

Rochester Planning Board member Bendrix Bailey proposed a motion to halt all development of the project until new plans are presented to the board and the required bonds are in place. The board unanimously carried the motion to halt all progress on the Old

Middleboro Road Solar Development.

Developers will need to submit a new application to the Planning Board containing the set of plans they intend to use on the site going forward. Johnson explained that the opportunity to review the new plans will allow the Planning Board to determine whether the changes to the plans required by the Conservation Commission constitute significant or insignificant changes to the development.

Pending the board's approval of the new plan set, the development could face punitive measures if work continues. Johnson explained that it may be in the board's best interest to have its peer-review engineer group, Field Engineering, establish a site office at the development at the applicant's expense in order to guarantee that any work being done is fully in accordance with approved plans. Ultimately, the board agreed that halting work at this site is in the best interest of the town, as allowing it to continue could set a dangerous precedent.

The board concluded its business with discussions relating to a solar development on Featherbed Lane. The Featherbed Lane Solar North project, represented by Beals and Thomas Inc., which dates back to May, will no longer move forward. The applicant for the project submitted a Withdrawal without Prejudice after the anticipated purchase of the required property was not completed.

With the prospect of the future development

no longer practical, the board voted to withdraw the application and bring any proposed work relating to the development to an end. Despite the closure of the application, there is still another proposed solar development on Featherbed Lane. The draft decision for that proposal, also represented by Beals and Thomas Inc, will come before the board for approval in its next meeting.

The next Rochester Planning Board meeting is set to take place at the Rochester Middle School, with remote access provided via Zoom, on October 27.

Drought Poses Challenges to Regional Water Watchdogs

MRV Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee/District Commission

By Mick Colageo

In his operations update for the regional water-treatment plant, Henri Renauld said, "It's been really nice to get through these windstorms and not get all our primaries (high-voltage electrical wires) blown down."

Renauld noted that age is a factor with such equipment in his October 13 update to members of the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission during their back-to-back Zoom meetings with the far-overlapping membership of the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee.

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11:00 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Lucy's World of Painting
3:00 PM Cape Conversation
3:36 PM Racism in America
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:30 PM Registers Report
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Arts Alive
7:00 PM Armchair QB
7:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
8:00 PM Books and the World
8:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
9:30 PM Stop My Crisis
10:00 PM Science 360
10:30 PM Money Matters TV
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday October 16, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Health Source
8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Generation Conversation
10:00 AM Recovery Fitness
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:36 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:33 PM Racism in America
4:00 PM Arts Alive
4:30 PM The Art of Being Human
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:30 PM In the Toy Box
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Stop My Crisis
7:00 PM Mr. Scammer
7:30 PM The Chundria Show
8:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
9:00 PM Gay USA
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday October 17, 2020

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoons

9:00 AM Governor Baker COVID-19 Updates
9:30 AM Perils for Pedestrians
10:00 AM Learning Music with Pat
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Let's Talk Business
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
3:30 PM Reel Smah!t
4:00 PM The Chundria Show
4:30 PM Off the Shelf
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:30 PM Arts Alive
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM This is America & The World
7:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
7:30 PM Mind Your Business
8:00 PM The World Fusion Show
8:30 PM Gay USA
9:30 PM Money Matters TV
10:00 PM Registers Report
10:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday October 18, 2020

6:00 AM Veterans Voice
7:46 AM Schvitz'n with Norm
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
8:30 AM Health Source
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM The Art of Being Human
11:30 AM The Chundria Show
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Cape Conversation
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:32 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM In the Toy Box
4:00 PM This is America & The World
4:30 PM Books and the World
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:43 PM Schvitz'n with Norm
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Off the Shelf
7:00 PM Mr. Scammer
7:30 PM Money Matters TV
8:00 PM Let's Talk Business
8:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
9:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Monday October 19, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move

8:00 AM On the Move
9:00 AM Health Talk
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Chundria Show
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Cape Conversation
3:07 PM Racism in America
4:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:43 PM Schvitz'n with Norm
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
7:00 PM Arts Alive
7:30 PM Stop my Crisis
8:00 PM Off the Shelf
8:30 PM Money Matters TV
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday October 20, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM Recovery Fitness
8:30 AM Health Talk
9:00 AM Generation Conversation
10:00 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:32 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:30 PM Hollywood Movie Maker
4:00 PM This is America & The World
4:30 PM Armchair QB
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:43 PM Schvitz'n with Norm
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Money Matters TV
7:00 PM The World Fusion Show
7:30 PM Books and the World
8:00 PM Science 360
8:30 PM Stop My Crisis
9:00 PM Sound Off
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday October 21, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Health Source

9:00 AM Tae Kwon Do
9:30 AM Southcoast Matters TV
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
11:30 AM The Art of Being Human
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Grumpy Old Men Cooking
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The World Fusion Show
2:00 PM The Collective Chat
2:30 PM Mr. Scammer
3:00 PM Sound Off
4:00 PM This is America & The World
4:30 PM Rob Surette SunnySpeak Interview
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
5:43 PM Schvitz'n with Norm
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Mind Your Business
7:00 PM Arts Alive
7:30 PM The Chundria Show
8:00 PM Registers Report
8:30 PM Science 360
9:00 PM Gay USA
10:00 PM Suicide Prevention in Massachusetts
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

MARION GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

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Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectman - October 6, 2020
8:06 AM Marion Finance Committee - October 7, 2020
10:00 AM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission - October 1, 2020
10:34 AM Marion Board of Selectman - September 29, 2020
12:32 PM Marion Water & Sewer Commissioners - September 24, 2020
2:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee - September 24, 2020
4:02 PM Marion Board of Selectman - October 6, 2020
5:08 PM Marion Finance Committee - October 7, 2020
7:00 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission - October 1, 2020
7:34 PM Marion Board of Selectman - September 29, 2020
9:32 PM Marion Water & Sewer Commissioners - September 24, 2020
11:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee - September 24, 2020

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

Verizon Channel 40

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectman - October 5, 2020

7:39 AM Rochester Conservation Commission - October 6, 2020
9:02 AM Rochester Planning Board - September 22, 2020
9:30 AM ORR Joint School Committee - September 24, 2020
11:32 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - September 24, 2020
1:10 PM Rochester School Committee - October 1, 2020
2:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - September 24, 2020
4:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - October 5, 2020
5:09 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - October 6, 2020
6:32 PM Rochester Planning Board - September 22, 2020
7:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee - September 24, 2020
9:02 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - September 24, 2020
10:40 PM Rochester School Committee - October 1, 2020

EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 97

Verizon Channel 37

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Tri-County Pop-up Concert - August 27, 2020
7:43 AM Sippican Historical Society - Working Women
9:00 AM Generation Conversation
10:00 AM Sippican Historical Society - Judith Rosbe
11:00 AM Tri-County Quartet at the Pines - August 17, 2020
12:05 PM League of Women Voters Interview
12:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Utermeyer Gardens
1:49 PM Tri-County Pop-up Concert - August 27, 2020
2:32 PM ORRHS Graduation 2020
3:30 PM Tri-Town Beyond Community Reads
4:40 PM Sippican Historical Society - Working Women
6:00 PM Sippican Historical Society - Judith Rosbe
7:00 PM Tri-County Quartet at the Pines - August 17, 2020
8:05 PM Sippican Historical Society - Utermeyer Gardens
9:30 PM ORRHS Graduation 2020
10:30 PM Tri-Town Beyond Community Reads
11:40 PM Animal Education at Pine Meadow Alpacas - Rabbits

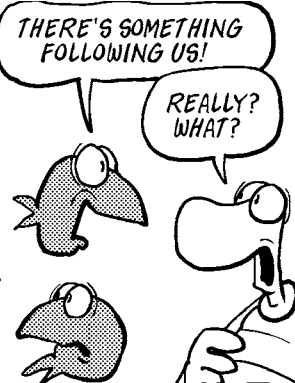
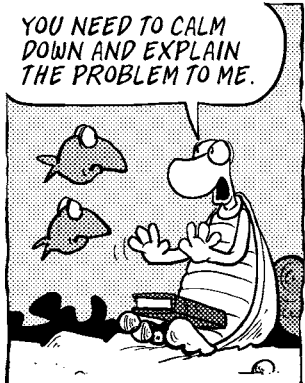
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SHERMAN'S LAGOON

by J.P. Toomey



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that engages water, and Renauld indicated that the MRV's meter that reads oxygen level is failing. It is by far not the most expensive problem, but its value has been well established. Renauld told the commission that, in Mattapoisett, lead and copper sampling passed with great numbers and so the town put on a lower monitoring schedule at this time.

Those small victories all count for a group of concerned citizens improving, managing, and saving the region's freshwater supply.

It was on the MRV Water Protection Supply Advisory Committee's agenda to discuss surface-water levels on the Mattapoisett River.

"A lot happened since the last meeting," said Laurell Farinon, Rochester's conservation agent, alluding to the 2020 drought, the beaver situation, and issues along Route 6.

"Drought status is Level 3, but (Tuesday) it rained hard," said Renauld. "We're in a critical level at this time, but we're basically starting to get past the point of outdoor watering. ... My personal opinion is we stay with the voluntary (water ban) at this time."

The committee and commission that serve the Tri-Town and Fairhaven welcomed the first Treasurer's Report from Marion DPW engineer Meghan Davis, who noted an irregularity in the amount invoiced by Eversource. The utility company billed the MRV \$13,498.72. Farinon suggested that there were reasons to believe that some months were missing from prior invoices.

The fiscal year invoice from Mattapoisett for the quarterly cost of running the regional water-treatment plant is \$45,984.82. The final requisition for payment has come in from Fall River Electrical for the execution of the certificate of completion at \$9,600.

Davis also told the commission that UniBank wants to make a change in the commission's type of bank account from vendor account to checking account. The change, in title only, will help the commission improve its ability to track information.

The MRV made a \$16,840.90 payment, its fifth and final payment, to Fall River Electric, and Eversource now



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OBITUARIES



Lynn A. Motta, 62, of Mattapoisett passed away on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 after a period of declining health.

She grew up in Glastonbury, CT with her late mother, Hilda (Braz) Harrop and father, William Harrop of Mattapoisett. She was the biological daughter of the late Edward Motta. Lynn adored her mother, Hilda.

Despite her medical challenges, she spent her time caring for her father and taking joyrides with her boyfriend, Joe. She always loved scenic rides, enjoying the beauty her town had to offer.

Lynn attended Mt. St. Joseph Academy in West Hartford, CT. She always loved to read, spend time with her friends, go out to eat (especially at the Courtyard in Fairhaven), and she was an active member of the AA community. She spent most of her earlier life doing secretarial work, and as she faced challenges with her health later in life, she spent a couple years helping care for her four-legged friend, Pax.

She is survived by her son, Tyler Curtis and his girlfriend Amy Nahigyan of Fairhaven; her beloved grandson, Colin Curtis, whom she took great pride in; her boyfriend, Joseph Platinsky of Mattapoisett; and her step-mother, Edie Motta of Florida.

Lynn will be remembered for her kind heart. Despite challenges that she faced, she always wanted to do better. Lynn will be missed very much by Joe, her family, and her friends.

No funeral services are scheduled at this time. For online guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Robert A. "Bob" Potter, Jr. of Rochester, MA died unexpectedly on October 7, 2020.

He was born on September 29, 1951 in Dayton, Ohio to Patricia Herbert Potter and the late Robert A. Potter, Sr.

Bob was known for his charisma and optimism and his ability to speak and connect with anyone. He was also renowned for his candor and never being afraid to speak his mind, but he knew how to give hard truths with a healthy dose of humor. His sense of humor was loved by all. He never took himself too seriously, and was always ready for a good laugh, often at his own expense. Bob's work ethic was unsurpassed. He was always completing projects and planning new ones for the future. If something was broken his family could just place it on his workbench and knew it would be fixed.

His natural leadership ability led him to attend West

Point, where he graduated on June 6, 1973. He continued his military career for over 27 years, which took him and his family throughout the United States, Turkey, Germany and finally back to West Point. He earned a PhD in Engineering. At West Point, he raised his family and taught in the Engineering Department for nine years before retiring in 2000. After retiring from the Army, he and his family moved to Massachusetts, where he began teaching at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island. A short time later, he became the Dean of the School of Engineering, Computing, and Construction Management (SECCM). During this time, Bob worked hard to make SECCM a nationally recognized program. The strength of this program was instrumental in the conception, funding, and construction of the new SECCM building.

Bob could be found on the weekends getting coffee and going for walks with his wife, Patty, in the cranberry bogs near their home in Rochester, MA. Bob enjoyed living in Rochester, often referring to it as "God's Country". After his son, Chet, started playing hockey at 4 years old, Bob became an avid hockey parent. When Chet began attending RWU, Bob became the catalyst for the creation of the RWU club hockey team. Over the last 11 years, Bob managed the team that is now recognized as a top club hockey team in the country. Other activities that he enjoyed include maintaining his cars and home and playing racquetball.

Bob is survived by his wife of 45 years, Patricia "Patty" Ades Potter; his mother, Patricia H. Potter and sister Rebecca "Becky" Page; his children Lindsay Sezen and her husband Ismail, Kendall Andrade and her husband Brandon, and Chester "Chet" Potter and his fiancée, Grace Trow; and his beloved grandchildren Safiye, Kennedy, Ibrahim, Teagan, Nesibe and Bristol.

His public visitation was held Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett, followed by a private memorial service in Rochester, MA. He will be buried at West Point Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Bob's name may be made to either the Robert A. Potter, Jr. Endowed Scholarship or the RWU Club Hockey Team, please visit <https://www.rwu.edu/academics/schools-and-colleges/seccm/remembering-dean-potter>. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

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takes over management of the primary (high-voltage) electrical equipment.

The committee voted to approve Renauld and Committee/Commission Chairman Vinny Furtado to sign all invoices until the commission can meet again in person.

The status of a payment of approximately \$1,600 to Fairhaven for accounting services was discussed because the town never submitted an invoice to the MRV Water District. That item was put on the agenda for the next meeting, which will be held on November 10.

Renauld suggested in advance of next month's meeting that budget work should begin.

In the MRV Water Supply Protection Committee meeting beforehand, Treasurer Jeff Furtado reported an October 1 ending balance of \$180,109.56.

The annual assessment has been invoiced to each of the member towns, but none have been paid. Fairhaven's town meeting is coming up on Tuesday, October 20, so funds are not expected to be released until November. Marion and Mattapoisett were said to be ready to go.

Engineering firm Tata & Howard invoiced the committee for \$3,537.61 to catch up on 2015 and 2016 annual reports and river monitoring.

The committee received a reimbursement of \$5,000 and also deposits in lesser amounts from Rockland Trust.

The committee approved solar-array projects for both Randall Lane in Mattapoisett and Cushman Road in Rochester.

The Rochester project is a 3.9-megawatt, ground-mounted solar array in what is considered an undeveloped and forested area. The committee expressed no objections pending the Conservation Commission's evaluation regarding wetlands restrictions and stormwater runoff. The Mattapoisett project is a larger solar array at 7.7 megawatts. Although one of the eastern-most panels falls within a zonal area in question, members took up no issues.

The committee approved the \$850 purchase of a specific conductance probe for its Hach Meter. Jon Gregory of Tata & Howard engineers said that the added gear emanates from a request to monitor Snow's Pond. Farinon said that University of Rhode Island "water watchers" group training used the item and that Snow's Pond Association checks at least weekly on water conditions at two locations. Farinon sees potential usefulness of the probe beyond into the MRV's areas in possibly into Snipatuit and Leonard's ponds. "I think it's something that would be really helpful," she said.

Former chairman David Pierce participated in the call and helped solve questions about an annual payment made by the committee. Despite living in central Vermont now, Pierce will continue to assist the MRV.

The next meetings of the MRV Committee and Commission is scheduled for November 10.

SRPEDD Outlines Housing Production Plan Process

Marion Affordable Housing Trust

By Mick Colageo

Eric Arbeene, principal comprehensive planner with the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), was on conference call with members of the Marion Affordable Housing Trust, who met on Tuesday night at the Music Hall to discuss the process that will culminate with a five-year update of the town's Housing Production Plan.

During its September 15 meeting, the Affordable Housing Trust requested \$45,000 from the Community Preservation Committee (as it had in 2015) to fund a feasibility study approved at the June 22 Town Meeting for the purposes of identifying opportunities to expand on Marion's amount of affordable and subsidized housing. The Affordable Housing Trust also requested \$8,000 for SRPEDD's assistance in updating its Housing Production Plan.

In its October 13 meeting at the Music Hall, Arbeene discussed a number of aspects regarding the path SRPEDD will take in order to compile a Housing Needs Assessment and ultimately a Housing Production Plan. Arbeene worked with Marion as it developed its Master Plan in 2017 and has ongoing work with the Bylaw Codification Subcommittee.

In referencing economic changes, Arbeene asked



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MOVIE REVIEW

Walk the Walk

By Rob Gonsalves
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Harry Chapin: When in Doubt, Do Something. A documentary directed by Rick Korn. Running time: 93 minutes. No MPAA rating. Coming October 16 to virtual cinemas; available on DVD November 10.

Almost everyone in the new documentary *Harry Chapin: When in Doubt, Do Something* smiles when talking about him, and Chapin himself, who died at 38 in a 1981 car wreck, is seldom seen in the movie without a smile. Even when performing some of his saddest story-songs — “Taxi,” “A Better Place to Be,” “Cat’s in the Cradle” — Chapin wore his irrepressible grin, because in these songs he was working with two things that meant a lot to him: music and humanity. His joy was unquestionable and contagious. What we see in this film, though, is that his musical project was inextricable from his life project; he didn’t just sing about the downtrodden worthy of help — he worked to help them.

By hanging his film on the structure of Chapin’s awakening as a man who agitated endlessly for change, director Rick Korn avoids the trap of the conventional rockumentary — the drugs (Chapin was a straight-edge), the rise and fall (Chapin may have given away lots of time and money, but he never really fell), the comeback. Part of the point of *When in Doubt, Do Something* is that, in the ways that would have mattered to Chapin, he never died, never went away, so never “came back.” His musical legacy is rock-solid, but his political legacy — not only his charity foundations that survive him after almost forty years but the activists he inspired, from Bob Geldof to Michael Moore — almost outpaces it. Chapin might have thought it was nice if someone happened upon “Taxi” and felt less lonely, but he would’ve grinned his grin to hear that one of his charities filled a belly.

Korn is generous with concert clips anyway, and the literally homey sound of Chapin’s voice — making his songs feel like something you came home to, something that wrapped you against the cold outside in the warmth of *story* — rings clear. We see a few people (Pat Benatar, Bruce Springsteen) make noble efforts to cover his songs; his brother Tom comes closest to nailing that affably sympathetic I’ve-got-a-



tale-to-tell-you tone (and Tom has the film’s dramatic highlight, heartbroken and almost losing it while performing “Remember When the Music” at Harry’s memorial service). To the extent that Chapin’s music informed his politics and vice versa, the movie gives his songbook its due, but perhaps only as the thing Chapin used to get where he really needed to be — in a room with President Jimmy Carter, talking Christ down from the cross until Carter in essence said “Okay, enough! I agree with you! Let’s do something!”

Chapin comes across in the film not as a saint but as simply a good man, who in the years after his death might have been diagnosed as a type-A personality. Sometimes in entertainment-media fairy tales you hear the beloved story of the star who gives everything of himself and still, mysteriously, has some left for his family. I have a feeling you had to be accustomed to a certain frequency of scattered energy level to hang with Harry Chapin. He sometimes reads here, in anecdotes and in interview footage of him, as the kind of guy who would give away a bunch of his royalty earnings to help feed the hungry but not save aside enough to pay the electric bill.

A few of his old friends and co-activists who reminisce about him here — Sen. Patrick Leahy (age 40 in the vintage footage, with the hair of a 70-year-old), priest turned rock DJ Bill Ayres — seem to be plugged into a similar vibe. They’re still here, still working for change. Chapin, who would have been 78 this year — and who likely *would* still be here if not for the semi-truck that rear-ended his VW — would be matching them step for step. *When in Doubt, Do Something*, like Chapin himself, thinks it’s all well and good that he got up onstage and reached millions with his empathy, but his true work on Earth was putting that empathy into real practice. When that fact clicks into place, we understand why so many people who talk about him smile.

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the question, "How have our goals changed in light of this data? Strategies, have they held up, should we replace them, have we accomplished them? A lot has changed in seven years, a lot has changed in the last seven months so we anticipate many changes."

In distinguishing between Affordable Housing and affordable housing, "two different things," said he said, Arbeene suggested members of the Affordable Housing Trust focus open-mindedly on subsidized housing. At the same time, he will provide an update on needs assessments, demographics, households, and data. Even though the 2020 census information will not be part of his report, he is confident using the most-recent available data (2010).

Alluding to developments holding an overall



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TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Mattapoissett Scouts held a Scout Camp Fire Day last weekend at Dunseith Gardens. Photos by Wendy Copps



Sisters Megan and Haley Pierce of Rochester at Ned's Point Lighthouse. Photo by Janelle LaPointe



Don Cuddy shared a picture of some wind damage on Brant Beach Avenue from last week's storm.



The site for the installation of the Elizabeth Taber statue is adorned in fall colors as it awaits the statue's installation and unveiling planned for Saturday, October 17, at 11:00 am in Bicentennial Park at the corner of Spring and Pleasant Streets in Marion. Photo by Marilou Newell

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potential to get Marion close to the magic 10 percent in subsidized housing that categorically improves a town's standing for potential state and federal subsidies, Arbeene asked for updates on those projects. Arbeene told the Affordable Housing Trust that one town in the SRPEDD region has established 17 percent in affordable housing.

Having been a zoning board of appeals chairman in his own town, Arbeene acknowledged the many "ins and outs" of 40B housing and asked the question if Marion wants to focus on other areas as to how to diversify its housing.

Administrative Assistant Terri Santos said she would update Arbeene with the latest on Marion's Capital Improvement Planning Committee funds and the budget.

The next meeting of the Marion Affordable Housing Trust is scheduled for November 10.

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To the Editor;

Building a Taj Mahal on Sippican Harbor

There was a great turn out for the presentation on the proposed Maritime Center. While the public was generally positive, discussion regarding the size of the building, the amount of office space, and the proposed

uses was noticeably missing.

It will have a footprint of 5,343 square feet, 2,000 square feet of office space, and be 36.4 feet high (from the ground to roof ridge). Such a large building will dominate the site. A friend called it the "Taj Mahal on the harbor."

The 2,000 square feet of office space calls for three private offices and onsite record storage. Our police officers don't have private offices. One private office for the Harbormaster, which can double as a conference room, would be sufficient. Record storage needs to be centralized at the Town House.

It calls for consolidating all harbormaster functions and personnel at Island Wharf including records and physical storage under the building. This is nonsensical even with an elevated building. The site is in the velocity zone, only 6.5 ft above mean low tide.

When the first storm comes through flooding low lying areas, our harbormaster resources will be tied up evacuating their own facility, including records and equipment stored there. The building might survive the flooding and the high winds, but might not survive a large size boat dragging anchor and crashing into it.

While there is grant money available for these types of projects, we need to be sensitive to the total cost to make a credible grant proposal and because it is likely Marion will need to fund 25% of the project cost. This design appears to have been done with no budget limit.



Individual Office Space - Marion Village

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Common Area Kitchen

Three common bathrooms

Good visibility and Tenant and Guest parking

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights Oct 4-Oct 10

- Holmes St – MV collision
- Beach St – Larceny/past
- Moorings Rd – Follow up
- Jenney Ln – EMS/medical
- Washburn Ln – Suspicious MV
- Main St – Animal complaint
- Spring St – Officer wanted
- Stoney Run Ln – Lost property
- Spring St – Annoying phone calls
- Briggs Ln – EMS/medical
- River Rd – Suspicious activity
- Front St – Waterways emergency
- Cove Cir – Animal complaint
- Spring St – MV collision
- Allen's Point Rd – EMS/medical
- Spring St – Suspicious activity
- Wareham Rd - Trespassing
- Spring St – Found property
- Olde Knoll Rd – Noise complaint
- Wilson Rd - Fraud
- Front St – Officer wanted
- Marconi Ln - Fraud
- Front St – Larceny/past
- Mill St - Fraud
- Joanne Dr – EMS/medical
- Mill St – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – Officer wanted
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Point Rd - Transport

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Oct 4-Oct 10

- Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
- Neds Point Rd - Vandalism
- Fairhaven Rd – 911 call
- Angelica Ave – MV violations
- County Rd – 911 call
- County Rd – MV crash
- Shaw St – Domestic disturbance
- Brierpatch Ln – 911 call
- Holly Woods Rd – Suspicious MV
- Church St – Animal control
- Neds Point Rd – Larceny/forgery
- Ocean Breeze Ln – Larceny/forgery
- Fairhaven Rd – Larceny/forgery
- High Ridge Dr – Medical/assist
- County Rd – MV crash
- County Rd – Assist other agency
- Railroad Ave – Restraining order
- Acushnet Rd – MV lockout
- Ocean Dr – Suspicious MV
- North St – Assist citizen
- Snow Fields Rd – Animal control
- County Rd – Peace officer
- North St – Health/welfare
- Hammond St – Assist citizen
- Acushnet Rd – MV crash
- North St – MV violations
- Pinehurst Ave – Harassing calls
- Prospect Rd – MV violations
- County Rd – Suspicious MV

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Oct 4-Oct 10

- Cranberry Hwy – Noise complaint
- North Ave - Medical
- High St – Vehicle complaint
- Walnut Plain Rd - Fraud
- County Rd – MV stop/citation
- Hiller Rd – Well being check
- North Ave – Road hazard
- Marion Rd - Harassment
- County Rd – MV collision
- Rounseville Rd – 911 call
- Quaker Ln – Public assistance
- Walnut Plain Rd - Medical
- Robinson Rd – 911 call
- Pine St – Juvenile matter
- Randall Rd – Suspicious activity
- Krystal Ln - Fraud
- Braley Hill Rd – Message delivery
- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Marion Rd – Assist other agency
- Bennett Rd - Investigation
- Stuart Rd – 911 call
- Boxturtle Dr – 911 call
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV collision
- Paradise Ln – Animal control
- Chilton Ln – Hazmat spill
- Pierce St – Suspicious activity
- Snipatuit Rd – Well being check
- Shadow Farm Ln – Suspicious activity
- New Bedford Rd – MV stop/citation

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Oct 19: Chicken cacciatore, Italian pasta, Jardiniere blend, multigrain bread, peaches
Tuesday, Oct 20: Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, Scandinavian vegetables, oatmeal bread, lemon pudding, diet: diet pudding
Wednesday, Oct 21: Roast pork w/gravy, red bliss potatoes, brussel sprouts, whole wheat roll, fresh orange
Thursday, Oct 22: Lasagna roll up w/primavera sauce, Roman blend vegetables, scallion bread, strawberry cup
Friday, Oct 23: Cheeseburger, ketchup, roasted potatoes, cabbage & carrots, hamburger roll, pears

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Oct 19: Remote Meals: Cheeseburger, mozzarella sticks w/wedges, breakfast for lunch - French toast, assorted fruit, assorted vegetables, 1% milk
Tuesday, Oct 20: Hot Choice: Hot dog, baked beans, Rice Krispies treat, applesauce, Cold Choice: Ham & cheese croissant, snack size Cape Cod chips, roasted garbanzo, Heinz yellow mustard, 1% milk
Wednesday, Oct 21: Hot Choice: Mac & cheese w/ chicken nuggets, savory green beans, chilled pears, Cold Choice: Ham & cheese croissant, Heinz yellow mustard, celery sticks, snack size Cape Cod chips, 1% milk
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OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Oct 19: Remote Meals: Cheeseburger, mozzarella sticks w/wedges, breakfast for lunch - French toast, assorted fruit, assorted vegetables, 1% milk
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OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

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ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

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SIPPICAN SCHOOL

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OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Oct 19: Crispy chicken bowl w/mashed potato, corn, gravy & biscuit
Tuesday, Oct 20: Chicken nuggets, fries, bread & steamed carrots
Wednesday, Oct 21: Baked cheese ravioli & garlic bread
Thursday, Oct 22: Sloppy Joe & fries
Friday, Oct 23: Assorted pizza & Caesar salad

We also can't ignore the cost of maintaining and cleaning this large facility. In no time, our Facilities Director will be discussing the need to hire another person.

Only essential functions and personnel should be located at Island Wharf and other needs accommodated elsewhere. We need a "command and control" tower with expansive views, a small counter for customer service, and public bathrooms there. It would be nice to have a public observation deck above them. This small facility will maintain open space, preserve water views, and preserve public access to the harbor at Island Wharf. John P. Waterman, Marion Resident and Selectman

Cushing Cemetery

Cushing Cemetery has not had a meeting for a while due to Covid-19, but we now feel safe to hold a meeting in an outdoor setting. We are holding a meeting at Cushing Cemetery on **October 25** at 11:00 am; the rain date is November 1 at 11:00 am. We are inviting the public to attend so they can see what the Cemetery has been doing and to see if they would be interested in joining the board of trustees. Everyone is welcome.

A Celebration of Animation

Author Martin Gitlin will present a virtual program for all ages on Friday, **October 16** at 3:30 pm entitled "A Celebration of Animation: The 100 Best Cartoon Characters in Television History". Exploring such characters as Woody Woodpecker, The Fairly Odd Parents, or Alvin and the Chipmunks, this will be a fun and wide-ranging hour of cartoon history and trivia. Register on the Event Calendar on the Plumb Library webpage, www.plumblibrary.com to receive the Zoom link.

Call for Entries to Final Show of Season

The Marion Art Center announces a call for entries for its 2020 Small Works show. Artists are invited to submit up to four pieces for this juried exhibit, the final show of the season. Works should be no larger than 14" in any direction, including the frame. All works must be ready to hang/install (framed, wired, etc.) and available for sale. Works in this annual holiday show can be collected by the buyer upon purchase. Applications are due **October 31**.

To apply for an exhibition, send name, email address, phone number, and up to four high-quality images to info@marionartcenter.org, with "Small Works 2020" in the subject line. Images should be labeled in the following format: LastFirst01_Title (ex: SmithJohn03_HarborView). The exhibition committee will notify accepted applicants the first week of November, and artists must schedule individual appointments to drop off work. The show runs November 13 through December 18.

The Marion Art Center will also be seeking participants for its holiday shop, presented in a new

online format this year. Vendors must provide high-quality images and a detailed inventory sheet. The MAC will retain a commission on goods sold through the website. For more information, please call the MAC at 508-748-1266 or email info@marionartcenter.org.

Mattapoisett Boy Scouts

The new scouting year is underway for Mattapoisett Boy Scout Troop 53! Are your favorite sports and clubs canceled? Then why not check out Scouting- we are able to offer all our usual activities in-person including biking, kayaking, climbing, and fun monthly campouts, and more. We are looking for boys ages 11 to 17 to join us for adventure. No previous scouting experience is necessary. Call 508-245-2948 for more information and check out our Facebook page at Mattapoisett Troop 53.

Marion Special Town Meeting


The Town of Marion Special Town Meeting will be held at the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium at 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett on Thursday, **November 5** at 6:45 pm. Face coverings are required and social distancing will be required.

Marion Cub Scouts Trunk or Treat

Marion Cub Scouts welcome children from Marion and the surrounding area to a contactless Trunk or Treat drive-through experience on Saturday, **October 24** at the Marion Community Center from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Cars from the Cub Scout, Sippican Land Trust, Marion Police Department, and more will be handing out candy and treats to children. We encourage everyone to dress up and enjoy this amazing Halloween event in these unique times. Anyone who would like to donate to the scouts for this event or join them please contact Kristen Saint Don-Campbell at ksaintdon@gmail.com. Happy Halloween to all.

Spider Web Mini Pumpkin

Fall is finally in the air, with Halloween around the corner, colorful foliage making its appearance, apples ready to be picked and baked into pies, and pumpkins



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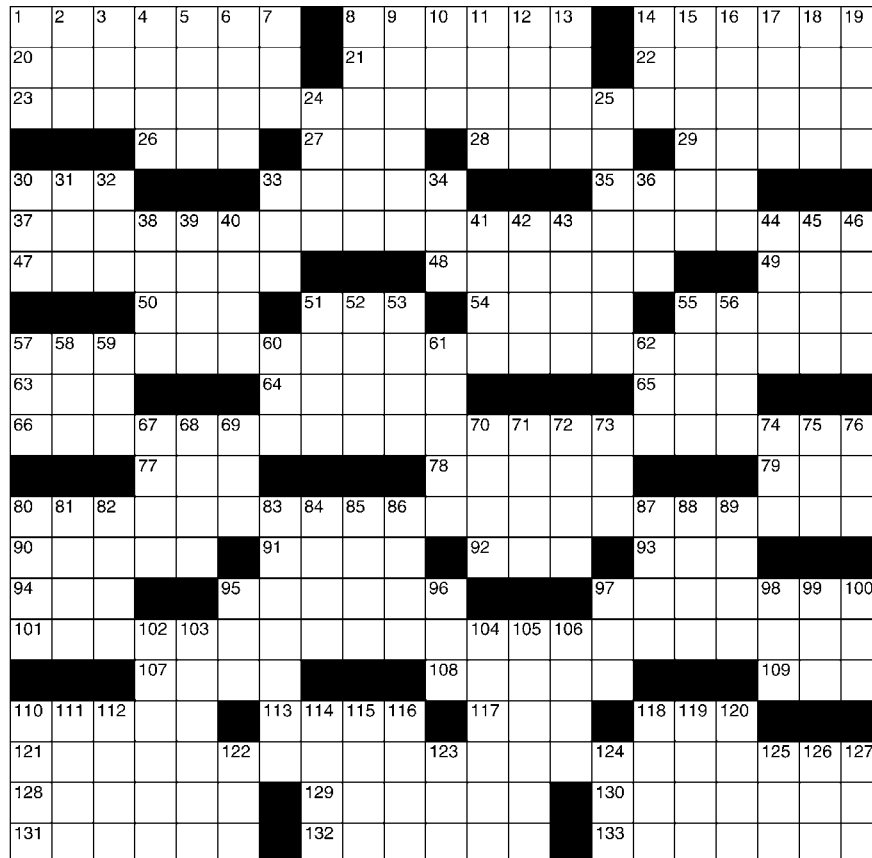
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70 Actor Ken
71 Hawaii's bird
72 Animated bug film
73 Life sketch, for short
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75 Fleece-lined boot brand
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100 Utmost degree
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104 Past
105 Oil or vinegar bottles
106 What "—" means in analogies
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111 Racket-raising Arthur
112 Nova, e.g.
114 Gives it some gas
115 Falco with four Emmys
116 Store away
118 Classic perfume brand
119 "I'm c-c-cold!"
120 "I smell —!"
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124 Govt. media monitor
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your moodier side might emerge this week. But the dark period should pass in time for the party-loving Lamb to go on a happy gambol with some very special people this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Yet again, you show your skill at being able to indulge in your love of the arts this week while still taking care of practical matters, including some still-unfinished business matters.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A potential change might appear to be what you've been looking for. In any event, consider both the negative as well as the positive possibilities before making any sort of decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Relationships continue to dominate your aspect this week on a mostly positive level, with just a few problem areas you can smooth over. Also, try to be flexible about travel plans.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You love being on center stage, and while you absolutely purr at the sound of all that praise, be careful not to take on too many commitments at the expense of time spent with loved ones.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might feel that you need to get involved in a matter concerning a friend or relative. But while the issues appear to be cut and dried, they might not be. Get more facts before you act.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A suggestion about a policy change could create heated reactions. Keep your mind open and resist joining in with naysayers unless they can show a real basis for their position.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While potential career changes warrant your interest, don't ignore current job responsibilities. A personal relationship also can benefit from more of your attention.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't guess at what the facts might be if you hope to make the best decision possible. The wise course is to ask direct questions and act on the answers you get.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your efforts involving that pesky problem should soon show positive signs of being resolved. This would allow you to shift some of your focus in another direction.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) While you enjoy well-deserved praise for getting a difficult job done, there's no time to relax. A new challenge looms. Expect more support from a once-strong critic.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still have explaining to do about your decision, but support grows as you continue to make your case. You also might want to start making plans for the upcoming holidays.

BORN THIS WEEK: You insist on making decisions based on facts, not on popular opinions. Have you considered a career in science? (c) 2020 King Features Synd., Inc.

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to be displayed or carved. The Mattapoisett Library has prepared a simple craft in a bag for you to enjoy at home and celebrate the season. Sign up for the Adult Take and Make Spider Mini Pumpkin Craft to add to your Halloween display or decorate your table. Suggested age: Adult.

Sign up starting October 13. Go to www.mattapoisettlibrary.org/ and click on Events Calendar (or email us at mfpl@sailsinc.org or give us a call at 508-758-4171 to provide your contact information). There are twelve bags available and we'll contact you to make an appointment to pick yours up.

Sippican Historical Society Shop Opening

The Sippican Historical Society's new shop at 141 Front Street, opening **October 17**, has a focus on children. A special assortment of new and gently used books will include beloved classics, hard-to-find nautical and sailing-related books, and picture books for preschoolers. A smattering of unusual toys (stilts anyone?!), puzzles, games, and art supplies will round out the tempting items designed to encourage creative play away from electronic devices.

The Shop will host a rummage sale of children's toys at the Historical Society (141 Front Street) on **October 17** from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. Don't miss this opportunity to buy fun, gently used toys for great prices.

BBAHFH Informational Session

The Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAHFH) will hold a virtual public information session on Wednesday, **October 28** to advise the community of its plans to construct two affordable condominium units in a duplex building on a parcel of land on Sodom Road purchased from the Westport Affordable Housing Trust.

The Trust conveyed the 5.3-acre parcel on Sodom Road to BBAHFH, a non-profit organization that helps working families buy their own homes at an affordable price. In addition to securing a home mortgage, the families will put in the sweat equity needed to help keep the purchase price well below market rates.

The nominal \$1,000 "sale price" of the land will help BBAHFH convey the new condominiums to income-eligible buyers at an affordable price. In addition to the discounted conveyance price, the Trust will also contribute up to \$195,500 in infrastructure costs for site work, septic system, water supply and legal costs needed for the creation of a condominium association for the prospective owners of the housing units.

In their proposal to the Trust last winter, BBAHFH committed to oversee the construction of the two three-bedroom affordable housing units to be sold to income-eligible families willing to contribute about \$170,000 in financing and additional sweat equity towards each home.

Housing Specialist Leonardi Aray noted that the

BBAHFH responses to the Trust's Request for Proposals were "most advantageous" for every evaluation point, prompting him to recommend Trust acceptance of the proposal. The Trust voted unanimously this spring to negotiate with BBAHFH to develop the Local Housing Initiative project to help increase the town's inventory of affordable housing units.

Deed restrictions attached to the property will ensure that the condominium units remain affordable in perpetuity, or to the extent permitted by law.

The information session is planned for 6:00 pm on Wednesday, **October 28** via ZOOM presentation. BBAHFH will present preliminary design plans, the maximum income levels which apply to potential purchasers earning 30 to 60 percent of the town's median income, and other details about this housing opportunity and BBAHFH.

To get the ZOOM meeting access code, contact Housing Specialist Leonardi Aray via email to Leonardi@larayarchitects.com or WestportHousing@outlook.com.

For questions or more information, email BuzzardsBayAreaHabitat@yahoo.com.

Sippican Historical Society

Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society

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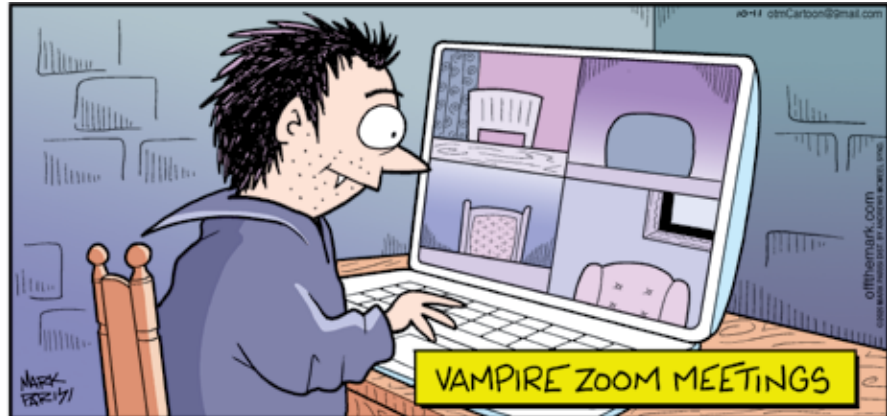


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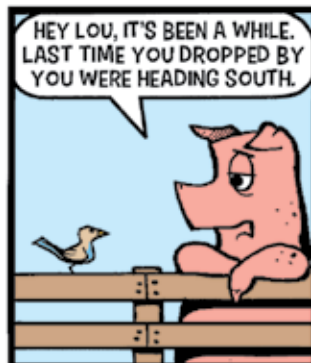
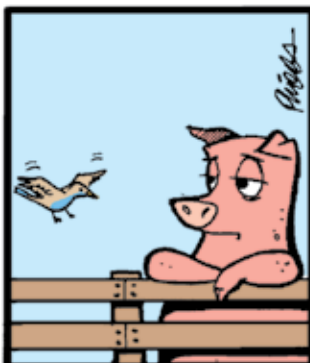
Tundra

by Chad Carpenter



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



commissioned an architectural survey of Marion's historic homes and buildings. Over 100 were cataloged and photographed. SHS will feature one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about its unique historical architecture.

This week we feature The Moorings, which is situated at the tip of Converse Point, the southernmost of the two necks that shelter Marion's Sippican Harbor. Converse Point was formerly called Charles Neck and was a Native American campground for centuries before the English settlement of Marion in 1679. This Colonial Revival-style home was built in the mid-1920s to replace the much larger late-19th-century Shingle-style Moorings estate that had 40 rooms.



The first Moorings was built in 1890 for Harry E. Converse, who

was an heir of Elisha Converse. The founder of a rubber products industry in Malden during the 1850s, Elisha Converse manufactured rubber shoes that were in great demand worldwide. Harry E. Converse was an important local philanthropist who funded many causes, including

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<p>The Commonwealth of Massachusetts DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING D.P.U.20-22</p> <p>Petition of the Town of Rochester for approval by the Department of Public Utilities of a municipal aggregation plan pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 134.</p> <p>On February 24, 2020, the Town of Rochester ("Town") filed a request with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") for approval of a municipal aggregation plan pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 134. General Laws c. 164, § 134 authorizes a municipality to procure electric supply on behalf of consumers within its municipal borders through a municipal aggregation program. Eligible electricity consumers not already enrolled with a competitive electric supplier would be automatically enrolled in the municipal aggregation program unless they chose to opt-out, in which case they would continue to receive basic service provided by their electric distribution company, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy. The Department docketed this petition as D.P.U. 20-22.</p> <p>The Town has retained Good Energy, L.P. to serve as its agent and consultant in this proceeding and to assist in the implementation of the municipal aggregation program. The Town seeks a waiver on its own behalf and on behalf of the competitive electric supplier(s) chosen for the municipal aggregation program, of certain information disclosure requirements contained in G.L. c. 164, § 1F(6) and 220 CMR 11.06(4)(c).</p> <p>Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency issued by Governor Baker on March 10, 2020, and certain ongoing restrictions and safety measures relating to in-person events, the Department will conduct a virtual public hearing to receive comments on the Company's filing. The Department will conduct the hearing using Zoom videoconferencing on Thursday, October 29, 2020, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Attendees can join by entering the link, https://zoom.us/j/98459510184, from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only access to the hearings, attendees can dial in at (301) 715-8592 (not toll free) and then enter the Meeting ID# 984 5951 0184. If you anticipate providing comments via Zoom during the public hearing, please send an email by October 22, 2020, to katherine.goyette@mass.gov with your name, email address, and mailing address.</p> <p>Alternately, any person who desires to comment on this matter may submit electronic written comments to the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Thursday, October 29, 2020. At this time, all filings will be submitted only in electronic format in recognition of the difficulty that parties and the Department may have filing and receiving original copies. Ordinarily, all parties would follow Sections B.1 and B.4 of the Department's Standard Ground Rules (D.P.U. 15-184-A, App. 1 (March 4, 2020)). However, due to the Commonwealth state of emergency, until further notice, parties must retain the original paper version, and the Department will later determine when the paper version must be filed with the Department Secretary. Importantly, all large files submitted must be broken down into electronic files that do not exceed 20MB. In addition, one copy of all written comments should be emailed to counsel for the Town's agent, Scott</p>	<p>Mueller, Esq., at scott.mueller76@gmail.com.</p> <p>All documents should also be submitted to the Department in PDF format by e-mail attachment to peter.ray@mass.gov and katherine.goyette@mass.gov. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 20-22); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website as soon as practicable at http://www.mass.gov/dpu. The e-mail must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient.</p> <p>The Town's filing and all related documents submitted to the Department or issued by the Department will be available on the Department's website as soon as is practicable at https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber (enter "20-22"). A paper copy of the filing will not be available for public viewing at the Town's offices or the Department due to the State of Emergency. To request materials in accessible formats (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format) for people with disabilities, contact the Department's ADA coordinator at DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov.</p> <p>Any person desiring further information regarding the Town's filing or a paper copy of the filing should contact Scott Mueller, Esq. at scott.mueller76@gmail.com. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Katherine Lee Goyette, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at katherine.goyette@mass.gov.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #780 Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82116947434?pwd=TS9xTm5uV3NyZTB2Rnd3VktHaWNTZz09 Meeting ID: 821 1694 7434 Passcode: 394985</p> <p>The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 7:00 pm on Thursday, October 22, 2020 on the application of Katrina Trull for a Special Permit under section 230-8.6 of the zoning by-law to allow an in-law apartment.</p> <p>The property, located at 12 Emil's Way, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 7 as Lot 82. Christina Frangos 10/8, 10/15</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on October 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, MA 02770, regarding a Special Permit Application for a Large-Scale Photovoltaic Installation within the Residential/Agricultural District and Groundwater Protection District, filed by Cushman Road Solar, LLC, P.O. Box 1340, Portsmouth, NH 03801, for property located at 0 Cushman Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lot 11 on Assessor's</p>	<p>Map 33.</p> <p>The applicant proposes the construction of a of a ±3.9 MW DC Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Array within the Residential/Agricultural District. The property is also within the Mattapoissett River Valley Watershed and partially within the Groundwater Protection District and the Floodplain Overlay District.</p> <p>The applicant's representative is Eric Las of Beals and Thomas, Inc., 144 Turnpike Road, Southborough, MA 01772. The property owner of record is Lisa Holden, Trustee, P.O. Box 388, Rochester, MA 02770.</p> <p>The application and associated submittal documents are available for review at the Planning Board Office at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85457151796 Meeting ID: 854 5715 1796 Or Call: 1 646 876 9923 Arnold Johnson, Chairman 10/8, 10/15</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoissett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (via Zoom**) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Grant Family Trust; John J. Grant Jr. & Elizabeth Hunter, Trs., 517 Beech St., Rockland, MA 02370. The proposed project is to install Title 5 septic system for existing house located within coastal flood zone. The project is located at 9 Cedar Street, and is further identified as Lot 150 on Assessor Map 4.</p> <p>**Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoissett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <p>-----</p> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1154</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of John & Michelle Vinagre for property located at 7 Ginny's Drive, identified on Assessor's Map 26, Lot 26D, who are seeking three Variances under Chapter 20.40, Section E.2. (formerly Section VIII.C.2.), for the construction of an accessory structure for storage, vehicles, and other equipment; (1) located in the front yard area, (2) oversized structure, and (3) proposed second floor loft. The public meeting and hearing will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm on Zoom.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87686790759 Meeting ID: 876 8679 0759 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 10/15, 10/22</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Place your classified ads 24 hours a day 7 days a week on-line at www.wanderer.com</p>

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Early Voting will begin Saturday, **October 17** from 10:00 am until noon outside of the Town Clerk's office at the Town House (Library side of the building). In addition to the hours listed below, there will be a special Early Voting session at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center (465 Mill Street) on Tuesday, October 20, from 12:00 pm until 3:00 pm.

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<p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (via Zoom**) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by John Clifford, 8261 Se Angelina Court, Hobe Sound, FL 33455. The proposed project is to tie in to municipal town sewer. The project is located at 36 Cove Street, and is further identified as Lot 79.0 on Assessor Map 1.0.</p> <p>**Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Thomas M. & Lisa M. Pilleri.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicants propose to clear overgrown vegetation between the house and Shore Drive for the purposes of expanding the lawn. All work will occur within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (EI. 17).</p> <p>The project is located at 26 Centre Drive and is further identified as Lots #91 and #103 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #4.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, 10/26/2020, at 6:30 pm (via Zoom**) in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by Michael Bachstein for 124 Acushnet Road, Mattapoisett, MA as shown on Assessor's Map 22 Lot 13. The applicant proposes to construct a 16'x32' in-ground pool on the subject parcel.</p> <p>**Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1151</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Donald Spirlet for property located at 9 Coombs Road, identified on Assessor's Map 44A, Lot 37, who is seeking a Variance under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1. (formerly Section VIII.B.1.), for approval of the construction of a garage and mudroom addition less than 40 feet</p>	<p>from the side lot setback requirement. The public meeting and hearing will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm on Zoom. To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87686790759</p> <p>Meeting ID: 876 8679 0759 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 10/15, 10/22</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1152</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Daniel & Carrie Costa for property located at 173 Pierce Street, identified on Assessor's Map 13, Lot 4A, who are seeking a Variance of the frontage requirement under Chapter 20.40, Section F.9.a. (formerly Section VIII.D.9.a.), for the issuance of a Special Permit for the construction of an addition for conversion to a multi-family dwelling. The public meeting and hearing will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm on Zoom.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87686790759</p> <p>Meeting ID: 876 8679 0759 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 10/15, 10/22</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1153</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Diana & Wayne Knapp for property located at 90 Hartley Road, identified on Assessor's Map 35, Lot 23, who are seeking a Variance of the frontage requirement under Chapter 20.40, Section F.9.a. (formerly Section VIII.D.9.a.), for the issuance of a Special Permit for the conversion of the second floor of an existing attached garage to create a multi-family dwelling. The public meeting and hearing will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm on Zoom.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87686790759</p> <p>Meeting ID: 876 8679 0759 One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923 David Arancio, Chairman 10/15, 10/22</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by John M. & Tricia O'Reilly.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicants propose to construct an addition, screened porch and deck within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone AE (EI. 16).</p> <p>The project is located at 6 Pearl Street and is further identified as Lot #234 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #9.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent</p>	<p>of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Notice of Intent Application submitted by the Antasawamock Club, Inc.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicant proposes to perform repairs to a concrete storm drain outfall pipe, work which will occur within a Coastal Beach and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage.</p> <p>The subject property is located on the undeveloped portion of Samoset Road which is further identified as Lot #147 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #15A.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Andrew & Sarah Bishins.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicants propose to perform maintenance on a pile supported boardwalk over a wetland consisting of replacing all deck boards and the post and railing system.</p> <p>Said structure is also located within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (EI. 17).</p> <p>The project is located at 20 Winnatuxett Beach Road which is further identified as Lot #60 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #5.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 10/15</p> <hr/> <p>Place your classified ads 24 hours a day 7 days a week on-line at www.wanderer.com</p>

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From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

From its inception and through the 18th century, pasturage was a source of wealth in Rochester. Indeed, when the lands that would become Rochester belonged to Plymouth, the profits earned from the uplands and

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Laws or acts were created to keep "Sheep-rams" within limits and "swine properly yoked and ringed" as these animals ran free over common lands and beyond. In 1726, it was determined that notices of "RAM or Rames" running wild should be posted in five specific areas around the town.

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Because of all these mischievous, roaming animals, it was necessary early on to create a town pound. Almost every town in Massachusetts had a pound in their early years. However, Rochester's Town Pound on Snipatuit Road is one of the few left in the state. According to L.C. Humphrey, this pound was constructed in 1711. Its purpose was to hold stray animals and livestock until their owners who had to pay damages and/or fees before their animals could claim them would be released.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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_____ dinner—
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TODAY'S WORD

Since one sheep or pig looks much like another, farmers clipped animals' ears in distinctive ways. These were called the Ancient Marks of the Beast. Starting around 1732, many pages of records were kept of these distinguishing marks. It listed marks such as a crop or half crop on the "nere ear" or "two pennies " under the ear as well as many others. In 1778, it was recorded that David Dexter marked his cattle with "two slits in the end of the left ear" which was the same mark that Caleb Dexter, his grandfather, had used in the past.



Animal pounds, particularly ones that might hold horses or cattle, were generally made from heavy stones with six-foot high walls. In the 1960s, the Rochester Pound, under the auspices of the Conservation Commission, was restored by Maxwell Lawrence an expert stonewall restorer.

Of course, a pound needs a pound-keeper. From the Laws of the Colony of New Plymouth: " It is enacted by the Court that whatsoever meat cattle horse kind sheep or swine henceforth impounded for Trespass or damage done that the person that owneth the said cattle sheep swine or horse kind doe give to the poundkeeper Securities, to satisfy the damages done by them for which they were impounded: VIZ Ingage before two witnesses or give under his hand to the keeper of the pound to satisfy such just and legall damages as abovesaid: and the pound Keeper that releaseth such beasts alsoe satisfied for his impounding of them."

The first listed Pound Keeper was Elisha Barrows in 1739. He turned the job over to Nathan Nye in 1776. In the next 10 years, there were 10 different men who acted as keepers, along with those whose names appear more than once. As time passes, the list goes from having four pound-keepers at a time to two in 1888 and this continued until 1918 when George C. Bennett became keeper. He

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Griffin Hagan	October 18
Matthew Underhill	October 18
Michael Pruchnik	October 18
David Hughes	October 19
Frances Freez	October 19
Jennifer Nye	October 19
Cyndy Hebert	October 20
Cynthia Dupont	October 20
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Mercedes May Murolo	October 20
Janet L. Graner	October 21
Travis Maloney	October 21

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served in this capacity until his death in 1953, at which time the list ends. The pound has been out of service for many years, but it remains a fascinating reminder of history past.

Note: as you can see, spelling has changed a lot since the 1700s.

Marion's Music Man

Is that 76 trombones I'm hearing? No, it is just Phil Sanborn's "pop-up" concert for four trombones in front of the Marion Music Hall. Sanborn, a trombonist, and the Music Director and Principal Conductor of the Tri-County Symphonic Band will always manage to find a way to keep the music going for music lovers in this area who have come to love the band over the past half-century of its existence. While people loved the four trombones "pop up" concert on August 6, Sanborn has come up with other musical delights for those who live in the Southcoast area. On August 17, he gifted the people who live in Rochester's 55+ community, The Pines at Hathaway Pond, with an outdoor concert by a brass quartet consisting of two trumpets and two trombones. The





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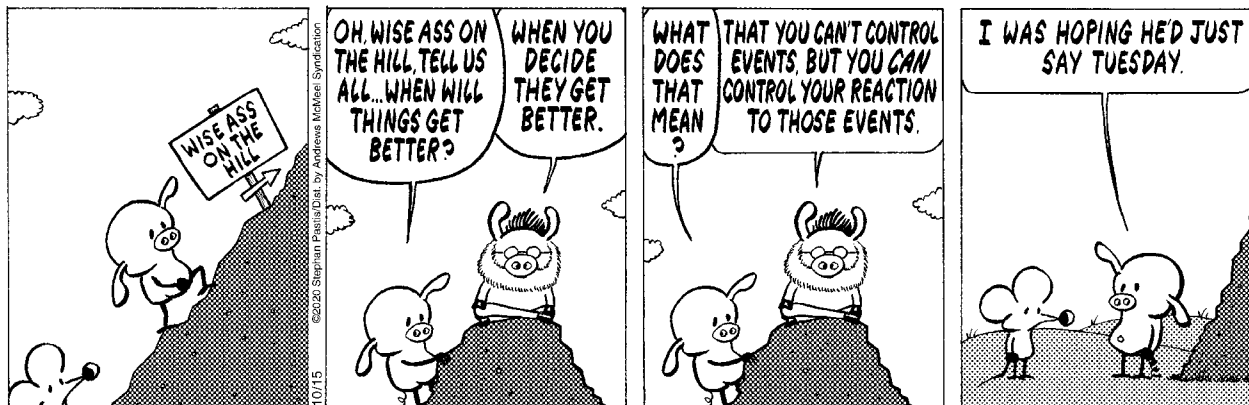
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis



musicians were all members of the Tri-County Symphonic Band and included Sanborn on trombone. On September 4, he brought a string quartet consisting of four siblings to Marion. The sisters played a free “pop-up” concert in front of the Marion Music Hall.

Phil and the Board of the Tri-County Music Association will continue to provide scholarships to college-level music students and summer study grants to high school students from our area. While live concerts by the band are temporarily on hold, virtual concerts of the band will be available on Sunday, **October 25** at 3:00 pm, and on Sunday, **December 13** at 1:30 pm. Information about these concerts will be available on the band’s website (www.TriCountySymphonicBand.org).

In 2013, Sanborn was named Marion Man of the Year by the New Bedford Standard-Times for his contributions to the community through his music. Having earned a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Michigan, he served as the Director of Music at Tabor Academy from 1985 until his retirement this past year. In this role, he provided music instruction to many local young people as well as students from throughout the country and internationally. Recently, Phil gave freely of his time to the project to improve the acoustics of the Marion Music Hall.

In addition to serving as the Music Director of the Tri-County Symphonic Band for 14 seasons, Sanborn has played in classical as well as jazz ensembles throughout the Southcoast area and internationally. His skills as a trombonist have led to performances with the Rhode Island Philharmonic, the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra, and the Buzzards Bay Musicfest Orchestra. He also leads Buzzards Bay Musicfest’s Swing Band for the annual jazz night concert. Phil has played with the Cab Calloway Orchestra and plays regularly with the Southcoast Jazz Orchestra as well as other groups. He traveled internationally to play in the famed Montreux Jazz Festival.

As might be expected in a person whose life revolves around music, Sanborn’s marriage is a musical one. He met his wife Karen, a baritone saxophonist and bass clarinetist at a rehearsal of the Tri-County Symphonic Band years ago when the band was under the direction of John Pandolfi. The two have been inseparable ever since and Karen often joins him in both classical and jazz performances.

This Marion “Music Man” really doesn’t need those 75 other trombonists in order to make music that has delighted Southcoast music lovers. All that he really needs is one trombone, a baton, a symphonic or jazz ensemble, and his considerable musical skills and deep knowledge of the art form to make great music happen.

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MAC COVID-safe Plans for Halloween

The Marion Art Center will be offering families some much-needed Halloween fun with a new COVID-safe twist for 2020. The beloved annual Halloween parade will not take place this year; such large-scale gatherings are still prohibited by the state due to safety concerns. However, the MAC is encouraging families to keep that Halloween spirit alive!

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SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey



calling on all kids and families (and adults too!) to send in photos of themselves in costume to info@marionartcenter.org. Those who submit entries will be invited to drive by the MAC to pick up their Halloween goody bags on Saturday, **October 31**. These candy and art supply-treat bags will be prepared and presented by one of the MAC's famous witches, of course. Details will be emailed a few days before Halloween.

The Marion Art Center will be devilishly decorated, and glowing at night, for all to see. Families can visit the MAC's ghoulish grounds and will enjoy spooky sightings all around the building. Additionally, the MAC's outdoor community message board will get a fresh coat of black paint, and anyone is invited to add a Halloween-themed message, drawing, or decoration with paints, markers, collage, or cutouts. The Marion Art Center also invites community members to share original material such as pumpkin-carving tutorials, ghost-storytelling videos, and festive recipes. Send any and all entries to info@marionartcenter.org, and keep your eyes on the MAC as it undergoes its Halloween transformation!

The MAC's Halloween festivities are sponsored in part by a generous grant from American Research & Management of Marion.

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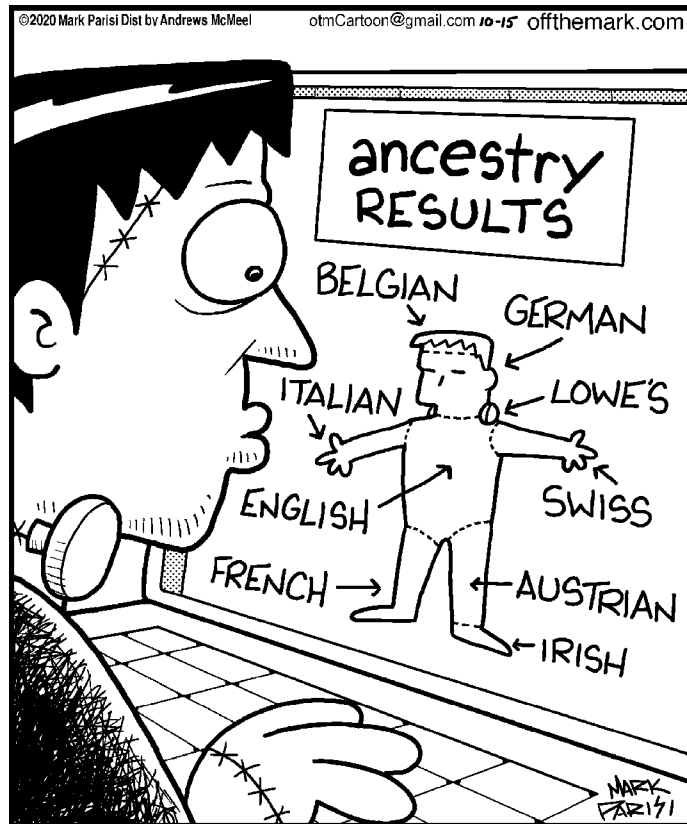
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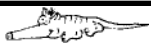
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Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	October 15	7:11	7:33	12:42	1:06
Friday	October 16	8:00	8:23	1:23	1:58
Saturday	October 17	8:49	9:13	2:06	2:51
Sunday	October 18	9:39	10:04	2:51	3:43
Monday	October 19	10:31	10:57	3:36	4:34
Tuesday	October 20	11:25	11:53	4:22	5:25
Wednesday	October 21		12:23	5:09	6:26
Thursday	October 22	12:52	1:24	6:01	8:21
Friday	October 23	1:53	2:25	7:08	9:46
Saturday	October 24	2:54	3:27	9:36	10:45
Sunday	October 25	3:56	4:30	10:52	11:27
Monday	October 26	4:59	5:29	11:37	11:55
Tuesday	October 27	5:54	6:19		12:10
Wednesday	October 28	6:41	7:01	12:15	12:40
Thursday	October 29	7:21	7:39	12:37	1:12
Friday	October 30	7:58	8:14	1:05	1:47
Saturday	October 31	8:31	8:49	1:38	2:25
Sunday	November 1	8:03	8:24	1:13	2:03

Phases of the Moon	New Moon	October 16th
	First Quarter	October 23rd
	Full Moon	October 31st
	Last Quarter	November 8th



I Found the Aardvark!

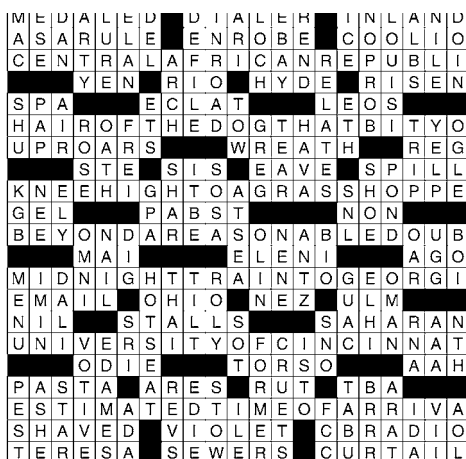
Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*
In the October 8, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 42!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION



SCRAMBLERS

solution

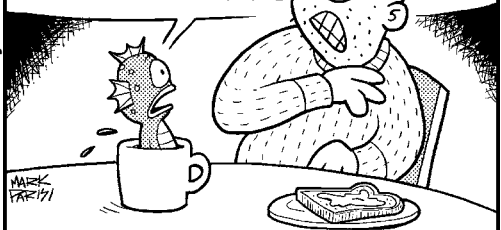
1. Ballast
2. Hustle;
3. Gyrate;
4. Digress

Today's Word
BIRTHDAY

Sudoku Answer

6	8	3	4	1	5	9	2	7
1	2	5	8	7	9	4	6	3
4	7	9	6	2	3	5	8	1
8	3	6	7	5	4	1	9	2
5	9	4	1	6	2	7	3	8
7	1	2	3	9	8	6	5	4
9	5	8	2	4	1	3	7	6
3	4	7	5	8	6	2	1	9
2	6	1	9	3	7	8	4	5

IS THAT AVOCADO TOAST I LOVE
AVOCADO TOAST DO YOU HAVE ANY
MORE WHAT TIME IS IT I HAVE A
LOT OF PEOPLE TO SCARE TODAY
THAT'S A NICE SHIRT DID
YOU GET IT ONLINE OR...



CREATURE FROM THE
BLACK COFFEE

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at PLUMB CORNER

SALE EFFECTIVE:
Friday, October 16 – Thursday, October 22, 2020

565 Rounseville Road • Rochester, MA 02770

Phone: 508.763.5333

Open Daily: 7am–8pm

Quality Produce



Sweet
Honeycrisp Apples..... **\$2⁹⁹** lb.



3 lb. Bag
Clementines..... **\$5⁹⁹**



Red or Green
Seedless Grapes..... **\$2⁴⁹** lb.

Pint
Blueberries..... **\$3⁹⁹**

Crisp
Broccoli Crowns..... **\$1⁶⁹** lb.

Pint
Grape Tomatoes..... **\$1⁹⁹**

Wine & Beer

All Beer is
Plus Deposit

750 ml New Zealand
Sauvignon Blanc
Monkey Bay..... **\$10⁹⁹**

750 ml New Zealand, Sauvignon Blanc
Nobilo Icon..... **\$17⁹⁹**

12 oz. Bottles, 12 Pack, Octoberfest
Samuel Adams..... **\$16⁹⁹**

We have over 75
varieties of wine
(& more coming)
that are only
3/\$15 or \$5⁹⁹ ea.
Mix & Match wines
from California,
France, Italy,
Argentina, Chile, &
Australia!



Quality Meats, Deli & Prepared Foods

Fresh, 85% Lean
Ground
Chuck

\$5²⁹ lb.

Delicious!
Red Bliss
Potato Salad.....

\$4⁹⁹ lb.

Allen's
Rotisserie
Chicken.....

\$8⁹⁹ ea.

We now carry a nice selection
of pre-cut Boar's Head cheeses!



Bell & Evans
Boneless & Skinless
Chicken
Breast

\$7⁹⁹ lb.



Dear friends & customers,

To stay posted on the latest information about store hours, product availability or to simply receive a cheerful update to brighten your day, we have created a new



Facebook page for the store!

Please "Like" and "Follow"...

Friends Marketplace–Plumb Corner

Please email your order with your phone number to Plumb@FriendsMarketplace.net for

Curbside Pickup

We are here for you and are honored to serve you during this unprecedented time.

– The Friends' Marketplace at Plumb Corner Team

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL GREAT SAVINGS THIS WEEK!

Safety Guidelines

- Face covering required at all times in the store
- Limit trips (buy more at once)
- Only 1 shopper per household when possible
- Keep a safe social distance



Friends Market at
Plumb Corner was
Voted #1 for Deli
& Garden Center/
Nursery for 2020!



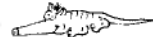
Friends'

marketplace

at PLUMB CORNER

565 Rounseville Rd.
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Phone: 508.763.5333

We now offer curbside pickup!
Please call the store
for details.



Open at 7am daily!
Please check our Facebook
page for any modifications
to store hours during
this unpredictable period
(Friends Marketplace-Plumb
Corner). We will remain
open & be here for you!

Open Daily: 7am-8pm

We reserve the right to limit quantities & correct typographical errors. Illustrations are for design purposes only. Items are while supplies last and no rain checks. Due to current market conditions, item retails may change and products may become unavailable unexpectedly.

SALE EFFECTIVE: Friday, Oct. 16 – Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020

BLOCKBUSTER SAVINGS!

Due to the current
environment and uncertainty
of availability, some meat
& produce items may not
be available. Thank you for
understanding.

Friends'
Premium Certified
Black Angus
**Marinated
Sirloin
Tips**
\$11⁹⁹
lb.



Boar's Head
**Maple
Honey
Ham**
\$8⁹⁹
lb.



Chobani
5.3 oz. Selected
**Greek
Yogurt**
4/\$5



Ben & Jerry's
16 oz. Selected
Frozen Yogurt or
Ice Cream
\$4⁴⁹



Shipyard
12 oz. Bottles
Pumpkinhead
12 Pack
\$18⁹⁹
+ Dep.



Kono
750 ml New Zealand
Sauvignon Blanc
Wine
\$11⁹⁹



Grocery, Dairy, Frozen & Bakery

Perrier
750 ml Lemon or Lime
**Sparkling
Mineral
Water**
\$1⁷⁹
+ Dep.



7.33 oz. Selected
Stacy's
Pita Chips **2/\$5**
330 ml Cans, 6 Pack Selected
SanPellegrino
Sparkling Fruit
Beverages + Dep. **\$4⁹⁹**

12-16 oz. Selected
Barilla
Pasta **2/\$3**

24 oz. Selected
Barilla
Pasta Sauce **2/\$6**

16 oz. Selected
B&M
Baked Beans **2/\$3**

6-7 oz. Selected
Cheez-It
Snacks **2/\$5**

32 oz. Selected Frozen Yogurt or
Gifford's
Ice Cream **\$4⁹⁹**

Fresh Baked
24 oz. 8" Pkg.
Blueberry Pie **\$4⁹⁹**

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL GREAT SAVINGS THIS WEEK!